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ON CIVIL SERVICE

Do the Rules Affect Secy. Richardson?

OPINION OF C. S. COMMISSIONER C. H. CONANT, ESQ.

An Analagous Case Exempt in Lawrence.

There is a good deal of speculation on various matters relative to the probable action of the new city government, its organization or failure to organize and the subsequent course to be followed by either party.

Democrats say that there is disunion in the republican ranks, republicans say the disunion is all on the democratic side, and thus it goes. It will be impossible to tell precisely how matters stand until the time comes.

The position of secretary of the overseers of the poor is the subject of considerable talk just now, not that there is any concerted oppositition to Mr. Richardson, but because there is a great difference of opinion as to whether the office comes under the civil service rules. A SUN representative called upon Charles H. Conant to ascertain his opinion on the question.

He at once said that the present occupant and his predecessors were appointed under civil service rules and he was not aware of any change that would remove the office from the operation of the civil service law.

When asked whether the new method of electing the overseers would change the status of the office he turned to the act providing for election of overseers by the people. Chap. 190 acts of 1894.

This act provides that the overseers of the poor may appoint a secretary and superintendent and such other subordinate officers as the ordinances of the city may require and may define the duties of said officers provided however that the duty of said officers be established by the city council.

Mr. Conant was disposed at first to say that this changed the situation but the point turned on the phrase "may appoint" as this means also "may not appoint".

He then turned to the civil service law, acts of 1893 chap. 95, which enumerates the officers exempt from civil service rules as follows:

"Judicial officers, and officers elected by the people, or a city council, or whose appointment is subject to confirmation by the executive council of the commonwealth, or the city council of any city, &c., &c., heads of any principal departments of the commonwealth or of a city, &c.

This law would not exempt Mr. Richardson unless he should be considered the head of the department but the mayor being chairman of the board is considered the head.

On the whole Mr. Conant saw nothing to change his opinion that the position of secretary of the overseers of the poor is under the operation of civil service rules.

In contradiction of this view a gentleman who is interested in the matter stated that the secretary of the overseers of the poor at Lawrence is not affected by civil service rules although appointed precisely as was Mr. Richardson. The civil service board stated that the office was under the civil service but when the overseers took the matter in hand, the claims of the board were found to be untenable.

Besides, the new board of overseers may declare the secretary the head of the department and thus remove all question on the matter.

Mr. Richardson made application under civil service rules but being a veteran was not required to take an examination. His predecessors were similarly appointed. Altogether the decision of the question is largely a matter of construction of the law and will have to be decided by the city solicitor in conjunction with the civil service commissioners.

A Foul-Mouthed Brawler.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29. — Anarchist Mowbray was arrested in this city last night on the charge of inciting a riot. The arrest was made at the close of the meeting, at which Mowbray delivered an incendiary speech of the most violent character, exclaiming that the American flag should be torn down, as it was not fit for the lowest uses.

Some Will Get Back Their Money.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 29.—George M. Irwin, the discretionary pool operator, has decided to return all the money placed in his hands by customers which was not actually invested by him in grain deals. This statement is made by Irwin's counsel, who says that his client is morally, but not legally, bound to return the money.

It Means Less Pay.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—The 3500 employes in the packing house of Armour & Co. were informed yesterday that hereafter eight hours will constitute a day's work. The plant has been running 10 hours up to this time. The strong competition between the packers has greatly reduced the profits to be obtained from the business.

CHRISTMAS.

Presents of money to England, Ireland and Scotland for Christmas at the Money Order Office, 324 Market Street corner of Worthen, payable at any bank in England, Ireland, and Scotland.

James F. O'Donnell,

Agent, Lowell, Mass.

Cor. of Worthen and Market Sts.

DO YOU WANT any old papers to put under carpets? We have them for 5 cents a hundred at this office.

OUR CITY SOLONS

Winding Up Work With a Noticeable Rush.

WINDY WERE THE DEBATES ON TWO MATTERS.

That Horse Sale Explained by Alderman Lovejoy.

What was probably the last business meeting of the common council of 1894 was held last evening and it was the quietest of the year of evenful meetings. From appearances about city hall we would think that the entire building was cast in gloom, regretting the departure of that unique combination of democrats, republicans and cuckoos.

The outside of the building even manifested this appearance, for at 8 o'clock, the appointed hour of meeting, the light in the clock tower was not to be seen, neither were the lights at the entrance visible. Inside the building, the same unwonted darkness prevailed until City Messenger Cahill and Janitor McGuirk had lighted the candle lights.

There were no spectators in the galleries and in the council chamber there were no light or sparks. The light, however, came up shortly after eight o'clock and thus there was no need of sparks, and the meeting was called without him.

Among the spectators on the floor were many of the councilmen-elect, principally republicans, including Mess. Rivet and Mr. Dickson.

During the time preceding the calling together of the members, the boy detective posed around the councilmen who were putting down names for a jury list.

At quarter to nine the meeting was called by Clerk Simonds, and Councilman O'Connor was chosen temporary chairman.

Seventeen members were present.

There was a pile of business to be transacted and it began with a ballot for commissioner of the sinking fund.

Peter F. Conaton had 11 votes, E. M. Tucke had 6, and Mr. Conaton was elected in concurrence.

Chairman O'Connor then read reports and petitions until his voice was well nigh lost.

Leave was given to withdraw by the committee on streets on the petitions of John Ryan and Tremont & Suffolk corporation, and the reports were accepted.

The following reports of the street committee with resolutions accompanying to be allowed to remain seven days in the city clerk's office: On petition of Maurice Kearney that Griffin street may be accepted; of Dominick J. Duffy that Lawrence street court be laid out and accepted; of Joseph S. Grush, for a sidewalk of edgestones on Hale street; of A. Jacobs that Congress street be straightened; of Samuel Tice that Cosgrove street be laid out and accepted; of George L. Adams, for a sidewalk on June street; of W. H. Hawes for concrete sidewalk on Canton street; of William H. Anderson, that Midland street be accepted and graded.

A recess of 10 minutes was here taken to enable the committee on salaries to meet.

After a lengthy debate over the removal of a tree from in front of the residence of N. J. Wier, the matter was referred to the highway commissioner.

The salary bill came down from the aldermen and there were more debates. The aldermanic amendment to the committee report was non-concurred in and so declared, thus making the pay of the liquor inspectors $1200 per year against $3 a day now. The council also concurred in raising the pay of two call firemen $75 per year each, from $225 to $300 per year. The rest of the salary resolution was concurred in and the bill goes back to the board as amended on the liquor inspectors.

THE ALDERMEN.

The board of aldermen met in special session last evening and disposed of considerable business. There was a little tilt over the petition of the Lowell & Suburban railroad for final action on its petition for a location on East Merrimack and Nesmith streets.

The recommendation of the committee on streets to define the lines on Gorham street also occasioned some debate.

City Solicitor Hogan was present and advised the aldermen upon several questions which came up during the evening.

The following petitions were referred: of Adams and Hallowell to hold a sacred concert in Huntington hall, January 6; of H. C. Church for license for the Bijou theatre.

Several petitions for auctioneer and minor licenses were referred.

E. C. Gibson petitioned for permission to set up and run a stationary steam engine on East Bleachery street and a hearing was held, but as Mr. Gibson was not present nor Alderman Dunlap, who was appointed a committee to investigate, the matter was postponed till later in the evening.

A resolution was adopted to abate the sewer assessment on Foster, Princeton, Sayles and Westford streets.

The Lowell & Suburban road asked for final action on its petition for relocation of tracks on East Merrimack street. Alderman Johnson introduced a resolution granting locations on East Merrimack and Nesmith streets.

Alderman Westall said the aldermen in committee had considered this matter and acted adversely upon it which was equivalent to granting leave to withdraw.

Alderman S. J. Johnson said the matter had been disposed of in conference, but had never been acted upon in open board. He favored the petition in conference, and he is in favor of it now.

Alderman Westall opposed it in the conference because residents in that vicinity are opposed to it, as the street is not sufficiently wide to admit of another track.

The mayor said he believed a hearing should be given to allow the public to express its opinion pro. and con. The public has rights as well as corporations.

Alderman Lovejoy favored the proposition to give the railroad two tracks on Nesmith street, but he wanted the same restrictions imposed as were put on the First street location. If it was wise to place restrictions on the First street location it is certainly advisable to place them on the Nesmith street location. He amended the resolution so that the same restrictions imposed upon the First street location be also placed upon the Nesmith street location. The amendment passed.

Then Alderman Lovejoy said that in order to make matters clearer he thought it advisable to postpone action till the next meeting. He withdrew his amendment and offered a motion to have the restrictions prepared by a committee of three and the city solicitor.

The motion passed and Alderman Lovejoy, Westall and Bagley were appointed on the committee.

Alderman Westall then moved that a hearing be granted on the petition next Tuesday evening.

The committee on streets recommended that the lines of Gorham street be defined as petitioned for, and a resolution to that effect was introduced. But City Solicitor Hogan to whom the matter was referred, sent a communication stating that the city has no right to define the lines. It must be done by the county commissioners. The city has the power to widen the street but not define the lines.

Alderman Lovejoy inquired if defining the lines did not practically mean to widen the street. If that is so why cannot the city go ahead and do the work. The work of widening the street can be done cheaper now than next year.

Solicitor Hogan said the question under consideration had received considerable attention and has been a matter of considerable comment. If the petitioners desired to widen the street, they should have so petitioned, and not asked to have the lines defined. It seems that should land be taken under the conditions of the petition, those injured could appeal to the courts and should they be sustained the work would be stopped. He believed the petitioners if they desired to have the street so widened should so petition, and a public hearing be ordered by the council.

The resolution to define the lines was then defeated.

A recess of ten minutes was taken to allow the aldermanic members of the committee on salaries a chance to confer with the councilmanic members of the committee.

The report of the committee on salaries was then taken up, and Mayor Pickman stated that during the year he deemed it advisable to engage a veterinary surgeon to assist Major Allen in his duties, as cattle commissioner, and had paid him from the reserved fund.

After the conference the board re-assembled and the report of the committee was taken up. It provided for the payment of $1200 per annum to the liquor inspectors; also recommended $1500 for the inspector of milk and vinegar, and the payment of $4 per day to the first assistant engineer of the fire department when acting as chief.

The increase for the liquor inspectors was opposed by Alderman S. J. Johnson, who knew of no reason for such action. He thought the office of liquor inspector should be abolished and the work done by patrolmen. He formed his opinion from his two years' experience on the police and license committee. He therefore moved to amend the report so that the pay of liquor inspectors be settled at $3 per day.

Alderman Lovejoy favored the report and said that since the meeting of the committee he had inquired into the work of the inspectors and was satisfied that they deserved the increase. He was shown a double barreled shotgun that one of the inspectors ran against while making a raid.

Alderman Westall looked at the matter the same as Alderman Johnson. The amendment then passed 6 to 2, Dickinson and Lovejoy in the negative.

Alderman Bagley offered an amendment to increase the salary of the two call foremen of the fire department to $300 per year.

Mayor Pickman cautioned the aldermen to go slow in raising salaries, and assured them they would not court popular favor by such action. But despite his warning the amendment was carried 5 to 3.

Alderman Westall moved to strike out $4 per day extra for the first assistant engineer, while acting as chief. The motion was lost.

The salary of the milk inspector was fixed at $1500. The clause calling for the appointment of a cattle inspector at $500 per annum was then taken up and passed. The salary bill was then adopted.

Explains That Horse Sale.

Mayor Pickman then called up the horse sale that has caused so much talk during the past week, and after telling the board he had engaged an expert to investigate into the matter, he called on Alderman Lovejoy for an explanation. Alderman Lovejoy said that according to custom, Supt. Crowley reported the number of horses in the stable which it would be unprofitable to quarter during the winter, and so the committee decided to sell them. On the afternoon of the sale, Mr. Hanson was down town when we telephoned for him, but returned shortly and came over to the stable. Charles Clapp was seen but said he could not handle the horses. The speaker had not seen the horses till he arrived and he was surprised at the lot. The only sound one in the lot was an animal over 20 years old. It would have been better had six of them been turned over to the Humane society. He believed no one beside Mr. Hanson could get rid of the horses. He could dispose of them to the Brown Lumber Co., who would work them in the New Hampshire woods. If Mr. Hanson makes $10 each on the horses he will be lucky. It costs him about $9 per day to keep the horses. He has already sold one for $6 and offered a choice of any one in the lot for $30.

Alderman Stanley said he handles about 30 horses, and each year he has to get rid of a certain number. Once he sent some horses to Conant's auction and it cost him $7 to get them back, for no one bid on them, and he had to pay the auctioneers' fees. If some of the newspaper men saw these horses they would promptly say they were worth $1000.

The mayor asked the alderman what he thought the animals were worth.

The alderman refused to set a price, but said they were such as in his own business he would give away. Most of them if sent into the woods for lumber work would die before spring.

The board then adjourned.

PERSONAL.

The engagement is announced of Mr. George H. Stevens to Miss Georgianna R. Thomson.

C. M. Dickey and Mrs. Dickey, Hon. J. C. Burke and Mrs. Burke, and Capt. L. A. Folsom have gone to New York for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bradley will observe the 40th anniversay of their wedding on New Year's night, at their home, 495 Westford street.

Miss Stevens of 60 Kirk street will be at home on the evening of Tuesday, January 1, to receive friends to meet Miss Kempton of Rhode Island and Miss Moore of Walpole. No cards.

The Children's Christmas Party.

The children of the Unitarian church held their annual Christmas tree party yesterday afternoon. The tree was loaded with toys and presents for everybody. Santa Claus was present much to the delight of the little ones. After the distribution of presents refreshments were served.

The "Pals" Won Again.

At the armory last night an exciting basket ball game was played between the Phalanx and Putnam Guards resulting in a victory for the latter 8 to 5 after a very exciting game.

Green will close out his holiday goods in watches, jewelry and silverware at sacrifice prices, and gives extra trades in pianos, organs and sewing machines. Green's, 88 Merrimack street.

2 O'CLOCK

SAVINGS DEPOSITS.

Interest Begins Monthly.

Interest begins January 1st in the Savings Department of the Traders' National Bank of this city on money deposited before 4 o'clock P. M., Thursday, January 3rd. Rate of interest 4 per cent per annum compounding semi-annually. This bank is open continuously from 8 A. M. to 4 P. M. and on Saturdays from 8 A. M. to 1 P. M. and Saturday evenings from 7 to 9 o'clock.

THEATRICAL NEWS.

At Music Hall.

Tonight will be the last chance to see "A Brave Woman" at this family resort. Next Monday the company will appear in the "Boy Detective" with Thomas and Watson as the major and the judge.

PHILADELPHIA'S TURN.

Residents of the Quaker City Denounce the Atrocities by Turks.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29.—A largely attended mass meeting was held in Association hall last night to protest against the Turkish atrocities practiced upon the Armenian Christians recently. The following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That by wilfully and systematically abandoning her Christian subjects to the unbridled lust and unparalleled atrocities, the Turkish government demonstrates her own incapacity to govern without foreign interference.

Resolved, That we condemn the wholesale, cruel and barbarous massacre in the Sassoun district, and implore all civilized men for the sake of common humanity to encourage and aid us.

Resolved, That we earnestly appeal to the signatory powers of the Berlin treaty for sympathy and protection, and respectfully protest that the justice in reform vouchsafed by the various existing treaties affecting Armenia have never been secured to her, and we beg for them and for autonomy.

Resolved, That we earnestly appeal to our government to use its good offices and take measures consistent with our foreign policy in order that the signatory powers of the Berlin treaty may be induced to enforce, without further delay, the provision of the 61st article of said treaty.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the President of the United States with a request that the same be communicated through the department of state to the representatives of the signatory powers.

Dastardly Work of a Robber.

SANTA ROSA, Cal., Dec. 29.—The county treasury was robbed yesterday, and County Treasurer Stofer was left insensible in the vault to suffer death by the robber, who locked the door to the vault on him. The robbery occurred about 9 o'clock in the morning, but was not discovered until about 5 o'clock in the afternoon. All this time Mr. Stofer lay on the floor of the vault, gasping for breath, fearing every conscious interval would be his last. Had it not been for the timely arrival of his wife, the only person in town who knew the combination, he would have been dead.

Icebound In China.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The little gunboat Petrel is icebound at New-Chwang, China, and has been laid up for the winter. Admiral Carpenter has sent a photograph of the vessel in the process of being encased in earth walls and roof. Near by is the British warship Firebrand, likewise encased in mud with a roof of heavy matting. The Petrel will be turned into a fortress.

Howgate's Plea.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Henry W. Howgate was arraigned yesterday on three of the indictments against him. His counsel prayed that the indictments be quashed, on the ground that United States grand juries considered statements made by persons not sworn as witnesses nor otherwise qualified to testify, and that no one of them had any personal knowledge of the matters considered.

Burned on the Rocks.

HALIFAX, Dec. 29. — Schooner Billy Brown, with a cargo of lumber, was lost during Thursday night's storm near La Have. She went on the rocks, caught fire and, with the cargo, was destroyed. The crew were saved.

Double Domestic Tragedy.

MILLINGTON, Mich., Dec. 29.—Matthew Palmer yesterday cut his wife's throat and then cut his own. Both are dead.

Psychological President.

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 29.—The psychological congress re-elected Professor James of Harvard president and Professor Sanford of Clark university secretary.

A Great Sale!!!

Beginning on Tuesday morning we inaugurate a monster Stock-taking Clearance Sale of Winter Covering, consisting of Suits, Overcoats, Ulsters, Hosiery, Gloves, Underwear, Hats, Caps, and odd pairs of Pantaloons for Men, Youths, and Children of all ages and dimensions. Store opens at 9 o'clock on Tuesday morning. Sale will continue for two weeks. Watch Tuesday's papers.

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Merrimack Clo' Co.

OPPOSITE CITY HALL

PROMPT DENIALS

From Inspector Williams in Face of Charges.

COMMISSIONER MARTIN MAKES A FEARLESS WITNESS.

He Hands His Bank Books to Lawyer Goff.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—When the Lexow committee began operations yesterday there seemed to be a lull in the interest manifested by the public during the previous sittings of the commission, but before Mr. Goff had got well under way the courtroom rapidly filled, and there was the usual throng of spectators.

Inspector Williams again faced Mr. Goff and resumed his hard, dry denials of ever having received any money or bribes of any description. He said that he never got a dollar from illegitimate sources outside of his salary while in charge of the "tenderloin" or any other precinct.

He told a peculiar story of a magnanimous brokerage firm from which he got some $5000 or $6000 made on speculations for which he was not required to put up a dollar. The firm was Filess & Hoy, 417 Broadway, and Filess has been connected for a long time with the famous Hollywood Whiskey company. Inspector Williams claimed to have only about $6000 in the banks, and he stated that he did not know how much his wife has at the present time.

He got very angry when questioned about his wife's diamonds, particularly a diamond cross, which Mr. Goff said came from a woman of ill-repute. "I never saw such a thing, and I brand the statement as a lie," he said.

Mr. Goff kept probing him about presents, and spoke of the grand jury of 1883 that made a presentment to the effect that Williams was manifestly unfitted for the police department. His ignorance of the gambling houses and their operations in the tenderloin was marvelous, but he had evidently made up his mind to deny everything and did so unflinchingly.

He claimed not to be worth more than $40,000 outside of his residence. Once, when he was hard pressed by Mr. Goff, the latter said: "You are losing your temper." Williams replied: "No, I am sitting on a cake of ice," but he

Did Not Look Very Cool.

His whole examination was a series of denials, and he insisted that any and everybody who accused him of wrongdoing lied. He faced the music bravely until the moment when Mr. Goff said: "That's all."

Captains Delaney and Ryan when put on the stand were so badly rattled that the committee and spectators alike were relieved when both men were excused.

One of the most clear and reserved witnesses who has yet testified turned up in the person of Police Commissioner James J. Martin. He answered every question put to him so frankly as to leave the impression of the truth of his statements. Unlike Commissioner Sheehan, he replied to all questions without the slightest hesitation, and very much unlike his brother commissioner, he produced his bank-books, checks and checkbooks, and handed them to Mr. Goff.

He explained how difficult it was for the commissioners to find out men who accepted bribes, and said that they had to depend upon Superintendent Byrnes to ferret out the members of the force who accepted blackmail. He claimed that he never procured substantial information, but did not make an investigation, as it would interfere with his subordinate, Byrnes. He disclaimed all knowledge of any man paying for an appointment on the force, or for promotion, and declared that by no act of his had he contributed to the state of affairs now in existence in this department.

He told Senator Lexow and the other commissioners that, in his opinion, the police department could not be run by a single head, as there would be vastly too much for one man to attend to.

Today will be Mr. Goff's last day as examiner for the Lexow committee, but it is thought that the senators will come back again to renew their attacks on corruption before the new year is many weeks old.

Comstock Talks Some More.

Anthony Comstock gave out a statement yesterday which is in reality a fierce attack upon John W. Goff. He said among other things: "I procured positive evidence against O. D. Grey, in the shape of policy slips and other things, but Goff quashed the case and returned Grey his outfit."

Mr. Comstock intimated that Mr. Goff's motives in taking this step were not proper. Continuing, he said: "Goff employs thieves, cutthroats and reprobates, and promises them protection if they will perjure themselves, which they do. A reputable citizen may be accused of every crime, but he is not granted any rights.

"The action of the Lexow committee is barbarous. Streep, who says he gave me $1000, is now under bail in Erie county, pending trial for selling green goods. I prosecuted him, yet he did not dare accuse me of taking money, because there is no truth in the charge."

Mr. Comstock said he was willing to appear before any body of reputable newspaper men or lawyers, but he did not expect justice from any body of investigators "who will accept testimony from confessed perjurers and guarantee them protection."

Closed as Free Ports.

COLON, Dec. 29.—Panama and Colon will on January next cease to be free ports. A decree has been issued, ordering that on and after that date a duty of 10 per cent ad valorem be collected on all imports.

Charged With Embezzlement.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—A. V. Chase, aged 36, of Worcester, was arrested in this city for the embezzlement of $8000 from W. H. Sawyer of Worcester in 1892. The prisoner was turned over to a Worcester officer.

Casualties Anticipated.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A heavy gale is prevailing in the Irish sea, and vessels are running for shelter. It is feared that some casualties will occur.

Settlement Endorsed.

BERLIN, Dec. 29.—Sixteen meetings of Socialists have ratified the agreement recently made for the settlement of the boycott against the breweries.

Looking For War?

RIO DE JANEIRO, Dec. 29.—The government has ordered $1,000,000 worth of war material from the Armstrongs.

When you need printing, remember THE SUN.

IN DEATH THEY HONORED HIM

IMPRESSIVE SERVICES OVER THE LATE RICHARD B. ALLEN.

Immaculate Conception Church Thronged With Friends of the Deceased—Great Display of Magnificent Floral Tributes—Very Rev. Dr. Allen the Celebrant of Solemn Requiem Mass.

All that is mortal of ex-Representative Richard B. Allen was consigned to its final resting place in the Catholic cemetery this morning, with touching funeral services.

During the past two days hundreds of friends have called at the home of the deceased to take a last look of him who in life was a friend to everyone, and many were the expressions of profound regret heard on all sides. The remains reposed in a broadcloth casket, which was surrounded by an immense amount of costly floral tributes, beautiful marks of the esteem in which deceased was held.

The floral offerings included a pillow inscribed "Papa" from the children of the deceased; a reclining wreath inscribed "Brother" from Misses Lizzie and Katie Allen; reclining cross, inscribed "Uncle," from Miss Theresa Allen; bunch of calla lilies, from the Sheahan family; 35 pinks, representing age of deceased, from the Misses Cooney; standing cross, from Michael Gookin and family; pillow of roses, Hon. J. E. Drury and family; broken lyre, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Cluin; wreath, Nathan D. Pratt; crescent, star and bar, inscribed "Dear Friend," from Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Baxter; reclining anchor, inscribed "Friend," ex-Alderman George Tilton; vacant chair, Rep. Owen Donohue and family; standing wreath, Thomas J. Boyle and John Kinsela; wreath and scythe, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Dolan; standing anchor, 4 feet in height, inscribed "Dick," from Peter H. Donohue; crescent, inscribed "L. G. A.," from Lowell Grocers' association; spray of roses, George Bowers; standing crescent, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Emerson; cross, James Hearn; basket, Alice Flanders; wreath, Col. Carmichael; basket, Mr. and Mrs. William P. Foye; crescent, star and bar, W. J. Higgins; large cross, democratic city committee; spray of chrysanthemums, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Walker; large pillow, Court Middlesex, A. O. F. of A.; large wreath, P. Dempsey and family; an immense bank of ivy, four feet square, bordered with hyacinths, bearing five callas representing the number of members of the board with one drooping on a broken stem, from the Lowell water board; and a very beautiful gates ajar, surmounted by three doves, holding ribbons, opening gates of pinks, inscribed at base "Farewell Dick" from the employes of the water works and others.

The Church Services.

Shortly before nine o'clock this morning the funeral procession was formed at the residence on Nesmith street and proceeded to the Immaculate Conception church where the remains were borne tenderly down the center aisle and deposited on a catafalque at the altar rail by these bearers: John J. Cluin, Hugh McOsker, Robert J. Thomas, John E. Drury, Dr. William P. Lawler and Miles Brennan, close friends of the deceased.

A solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated by Very Rev. Dr. Allen, brother of the deceased, assisted by Rev. Fr. Joyce, O. M. I., deacon, Rev. Bernard J. Bradley of Mt. St. Mary's, Emmetsburg, Md., a relative, sub-deacon and Rev. Fr. McManus master of ceremonies. Within the sanctuary were Revs. Fr. O'Connell of Boston, Fr. Lyons of Manchester, and Frs. Wm. O'Brien, Ronan, Gleason, Shaw, Burke, Gilday, McAvinue, O. M. I., Dorgan, O. M. I., Costello and Murphy, while among the large congregation present were a large number of students from Mt. St. Mary's college of which deceased was a warm friend.

Rev. Fr. Dacey, O.M.I., presided at the organ, and as the casket was borne into the church rendered a funeral march. The church choir directed by Prof. P. P. Haggerty, rendered the Gregorian plain chant. At the offertory, Miss Maude Ware sang feelingly the beautiful "Pie Jesu." The Libera was sung by the full choir, Prof. Haggerty sustained the solo parts. At the conclusion of mass Mr. T. F. Molloy rendered the touching hymn, "I love to hear my Saviour's voice," and while the funeral procession wended its way from the altar "Nearer my God to Thee" was rendered on the organ.

The funeral cortege which was one of the largest ever known in the city proceeded to the Catholic cemetery where when the last sad rites of the church had been read, all that was mortal of a true, upright and honest citizen was consigned to the grave.

FUNERAL SERVICES.

SOMES—The funeral of William E. Somes occurred yesterday afternoon from his late home, 167 East Merrimack street, services being conducted by Rev. R. A. Greene. A large delegation of Knights of Pythias was present and the bearers were members of the order. Interment was in the Edson cemetery.

McLENNON—Rev. Robert Court conducted services over the remains of Mary K. McLennon at her late home, 11 Grand street, yesterday afternoon. The remains were sent to Berry, P. Q., for interment.

ALGER—The remains of the late E. A. Alger who died in Cambridge, arrived in this city yesterday and were interred in the Lowell cemetery.

FLEMINGS—John Flemings, aged 93 years, a former resident of this city, died Monday in Lawrence. The remains were interred in the Edson cemetery in this city.

RYAN—The funeral of the late Mrs. Annie Ryan took place from the family residence, 51 Kidder street. The remains were taken to St. Peter's church where a high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. Fr. McKenna. The choir directed by T. F. Molloy rendered Schmids' requiem mass. The pall bearers were Messrs. P. J. Maguire, Martin H. Maguire, John Connors of Fitchburg and James Eagan of West Fitchburg. After the service at the church the funeral cortege proceeded to the Catholic cemetery where the interment was made. Deceased was the wife of Patrick Ryan, and besides her husband leaves a father, mother, one sister and one child.

The Jeweler's Association.

J. D. Grant is president, C. W. Durant secretary, and John J. Cluin treasurer of the Middlesex County Jeweler's association.

A meeting of the retail jewelers of the state will be held in Boston, shortly, and an association will be formed. This association will seek legislation compelling all manufacturers to stamp upon every article the degree of its fineness, by karet marks

Cornered.

Yes, we have been cornered at the old stand for just 10 years this Xmas, but our present display of holiday goods beats all previous efforts. The U. S. Tea Co., corner Central and Prescott streets.

CHINESE TREATY

Terms on Which Chinese Can Enter America.

THERE ARE IRON CLAD RULES TO BE OBSERVED.

Collectors of Ports Ordered to Report Weekly.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The regulations for the return to the United States of Chinese laborers, as provided for by the recent treaty between this country and China, have been completed by the secretary of the treasury. Under the regulations, a Chinese laborer who has resided and registered in the United States and departed therefrom, and who may have a lawful wife, child or parent in this country, or property therein of the value of $100, or debts of like amount due him, will be permitted to return, provided that, before departing he deposits with the collector of customs of the district in which he resides, or with the nearest customs officer, a certificate of registration from the internal revenue collector, and a full description of his family, property or debts.

The papers must be accompanied by three photographs of the laborer, and the statement submitted by him, if found to be correct, will be certified by the collector of customs. The papers, with the photographs, are to be transmitted to the collector of customs of the port from which the Chinese person is to depart, and who is to return to the country

Via the Port of Departure.

The certified description of the Chinaman will be filed in the office of the collector at the port of exit as a means of identification.

The return to the United States must be within one year from the date of departure, unless sickness or other disability prevents, in which event the facts are required to be identified by the Chinese consul at the port from which the Chinese person may depart for the United States.

A certificate will be issued to the laborer on his departure which will not contain a description of the person to whom issued, but which will refer to the identification papers by number. This will obviate the sale or exchange of certificates and render the identification of the returning Chinese certain.

Collectors at ports of exit will be required to transmit to the treasury department weekly reports of Chinese leaving their respective ports, giving the name, local residence and occupation of such persons. The collectors will also be required to cancel all certificates of returning Chinese and to forward the same to the treasury, where records are to be kept on forms specially provided for the purpose.

The certificates to be issued will be especially numbered and issued by the department to collectors on requisition therefor, an account being kept in each instance, and collectors will be required to exercise unusual care in all matters pertaining to it.

Sonz Spreads to Manchester.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 29.—The sentence of Joseph Labine, the Nashua saloon keeper, for violation of an injunction granted under the nuisance act, created consternation in this city, where some liquor dealers, among them some of the most prominent saloon keepers, have signed agreements similar to that signed by Labine, and who are, consequently, in the same legal status.

Frightened by State Troops.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Dec. 29.—The agitation over the death of Detective Murray, which threatened to find expression in violence, has quieted down. The state troops were called out to protect the jail where the negro murderer, Jabez Wiggins, is confined, and the display of military force had the effect of deterring the would-be lynchers from putting in an appearance.

Arbitrators' Decision Doesn't Count.

MASSILLON, O., Dec. 29.—The Massillon miners have refused to abide by the decision of the board of arbitration fixing the rate for mining at 69 cents a ton. The settlement was denounced as an outrage upon the miners. A joint meeting of operators and miners was favored, the mines to remain closed until after such a meeting is held.

Torpedoes For Cruisers.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 29.—Orders were received at the torpedo station yesterday to ship 12 Whitehead torpedoes for the cruiser Olympia, now at San Francisco. This is the largest outfit ever placed on board a man-of-war. The second largest consists of eight to be placed on the San Francisco when she comes here.

Sadly Afflicted.

COBALT, Conn., Dec. 29. — Nathaniel Bownes' family has been nearly exterminated by scarlet fever. The fourth child died last night. The father is believed to be dying and another child is very low. The Spencer family, in the same house, are all sick, two dangerously.

Cornwell Pleads Guilty.

BROCKTON, Mass., Dec. 29.—Benjamin Cornwell was arraigned yesterday for assault on Albert Pierce of Bridgewater on Christmas day with intent to kill. Cornwell pleaded guilty, and in default of bail for $3000 was committed to await the action of the grand jury.

To Be Consolidated.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 29.—James A. Bailey, Nate Salsbury and W. F. Cody have agreed to consolidate the Wild West and Forepaugh shows next season, with a capital of $1,000,000. The new partners will have no interest in the Barnum & Bailey show.

Not a Murder.

TORRINGTON, Conn., Dec. 29.—Coroner Higgins' finding in the case of Alexander Begoz, who was found dying near the railroad track, with clean cut fractures in his head, was death by being struck by an engine. The theory of murder had been entertained.

An Incendiary's Work.

MOBILE, Dec. 29.—The Alba place on the Bay Shell road, one of the finest mansions in the south, was destroyed by fire last night. Loss, $50,000. A number of cattle, hogs, etc., were roasted to death. The fire was of incendiary origin.

Marlboro Finances.

MARLBORO, Mass., Dec. 29.—The city council adopted recommendations for appropriations for '95, the largest items being: Contingent fund, $5000; fire department, $10,500; police, $9000; poor department, $12,000; school, $50,000; street lights, $8000; water, $3000; highways, all, $22,925; salaries, $29,30; sinking funds, $60,750.

When you get right down to warmth and wear, good looks, good tailoring, and good goods, there's never been such a strong combination of all these qualities, for so little money as in our all wool American Frieze Ulster for $10.

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FROM OUR 6 O'CLOCK EXTRA

Of Yesterday.

THE MAYOR WILL INVESTIGATE

DOES NOT BELIEVE THE HORSE SALE TO BE A SWINDLE.

Quite Convinced That Mr. Hanson Got a Big Bargain in Those Horses.

Mayor Pickman has begun inquiries regarding the sale of 18 city horses to C. H. Hanson and has an expert examining the horses. In an interview today he says that the evidence shows that, "while there might have been a margin of $50 or $75 if the horses had been sold at auction, there could have been no big steal. It seems that the horses were old and undesirable with two or three exceptions. Col. C. H. Allen has the best animal on trial. He has not paid for it, but I understand will give $75 if he keeps it. Mr. Hanson bought ten horses in the 'clearing out' sale last year. He says that he was sent for first this year, and that he did not want the horses. Of course the question arises, why were the horses kept by the city if they were in such a poor condition? The weak point in the sale is that there was no advertising of it, and no auction.

"I don't find that there was any deliberate fraud or cheating, but that it would have been wiser to have taken the world into the confidence of the sale, and thus given an opportunity to bid on the horses. It was probably an oversight, but I think it fair to have a full investigation when such a charge is made. On the charge of the city having been cheated I am still getting evidence. I am satisfied that the charge of collusion between Mr. Hanson and the committee is unfounded. I think that even the committee admits that there might have been a better way in which to sell the animals."

GO TO THE SOUTH.

Whittier Mill Will Have a Branch South of the Dixie Line.

The directors of the Whittier Cotton mills have decided to increase their capital stock and to enlarge their facilities for the manufacture of yarns, by building a mill in the south. In good business times they have never been able to supply all their customers without working overtime, and in contemplating an enlargment of their plant, they have become convinced by a study of southern conditions that their yarns can be manufactured there at a much reduced cost, a conclusion similar to that reached by the Massachusetts cotton mills, the Dwight Manufacturing company and other northern concerns.

All the yarns of the company will be made in the southern mill and shipped to the present mill in Lowell, which will be entirely devoted to the many special finishing processes used by this company. The business offices will still be located here, and all sales will be made as now direct from the northern mill, which will continue to be the headquarters of the Whittier Cotton mills.

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7.05	7.55	8.00	9.15
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7.47	8.22	9.00	9.45
7.55	8.25	9.15	10.25
8.00	8.34	10.00	11.15
8.00	8.59	10.45	11.58
9.40	10.18	12.00	12.56
11.00	12.16	1.00	2.15
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5.40	6.50	6.00	7.05
6.25	7.17	7.15	7.58
7.50	8.35	7.30	8.10
		8.00	8.49
		9.15	10.02
		11.20	12.03

Western Division.

To Boston. Leav.	Arr.	From Boston. Leav.	Arr.
6.50	8.03	7.30	8.22
8.15	9.12	9.25	10.25
9.30	10.51	10.05	11.42
10.50	12.02	11.30	1.02
12.05	1.37	2.15	2.25
12.15	1.06	3.25	4.25
2.20	3.43	3.40	4.55
3.25	4.27	4.50	5.16
4.15	5.22	5.05	6.16
5.10	6.41	6.05	7.12
6.15	7.36	8.35	9.37
7.00	8.03	9.30	10.10
9.30	10.43	11.15	12.12

Sunday Trains.

To Boston. Leav.	Arr.	From Boston. Leav.	Arr.
8.20	9.05	8.00	8.48
12.05	1.22	11.45	12.35
4.15	5.25	5.05	5.59
5.35	6.50	7.00	8.22
7.25	8.45		

Sunday Trains.

6.20	8.05	7.00	8.25
7.05	8.12	8.00	10.25
8.15	1.20	1.00	1.27
10.25	10.16	5.00	5.55
4.25	5.52	7.30	8.16
9.05	7.00	8.00	8.40
		9.00	10.0.

Trains by this division leave Lowell from Central street station. Leave Boston from the new Union Station, Causeway Street, daily, Wednesdays and Saturdays only.

From Middlesex St. station only.

THE COUNTRY will suffer if a good currency bill be not passed before congress adjourns.

THE CITY government of Lawrence is to wind up with a banquet, that of Lowell will close with a mock session as usual.

THE OLD plan of finding the murderer photographed in the eye of the victim has been often tried but never with success. It is a plausible myth.

WHAT KIND of a legacy will the present city government leave to its successor? A new bridge to build, plenty of loans to pay, and a high tax rate to reduce.

MUNICIPAL CORRUPTION is liable to exist under our very eyes, if we do not look under the surface. New York has made every citizen suspicious of secret wrong doing.

SOME OF the "doctors" who will go out of business with the taking effect of the new law will put out a shingle as dentists. They will have to be driven from that field also or they will tear the jaws off their unsuspecting victims.

THE BOARD of registrars is to petition for an increase of salary. With the increase in the number of voters and the additional precincts and especially on account of the change in numbers throughout the city the work of the registrars was more than double what it would be ordinarily. This is the ground on which the claim is based and it seems quite reasonable.

TODAY, THOSE who knew and respected Richard E. Allen in life, participated in the sad ceremonies at his grave. The floral tributes piled upon his bier expressed the sorrow at his death, the love and the tender sentiment that words can never speak. He was a man beloved and esteemed by all who knew him, a man admired for his rugged integrity in every station it was his lot to fill.

PROTECTING PUBLIC HEALTH.

The farmers of all the country around are up in arms against the tuberculin test and what it leads to.

The state authorities have inaugurated a crusade against this disease in cattle knowing the dangers to the public health resulting from the use of milk or beef from cattle affected with the disease.

A quarantine has been established. The work of using the tuberculin test has been commenced way down on the Cape and is being prosecuted by the state inspectors with assiduity. It will be two years however at the present rate of progress before all the cattle of the state have been examined. By that time the disease will undoubtedly have crept into the quarantine district and a new examination will be necessary.

In point of fact the banishment of tuberculosis will be far more difficult and perhaps as expensive as the crusade against the gipsy moth, the presence of which was but slightly felt in a very few places in the state.

Tuberculin is the poison of the bacilli of tuberculosis just as alcohol is the poison of germs produced in the fermentation of which alcohol is the product. When injected into a cow which is not affected by tuberculosis there is no bacilli to be destroyed and the test has no effect. But if the bacilli are there they succumb to the poison and the result is a derangement of the animal system which is easily noticeable. If the poison could kill the bacilli outright that would end the matter; but the animal would be killed first. The farmers claim that this test is unjust, that it leads to the condemnation of cows that are almost sound physically and that it is not reliable as a test. As it is but a dozen years since the tuberculin theory was first applied, it is possible that there may be some deception in its application. Dr. Koch was said to have discovered a cure for consumption on the same theory; but it did not prove effective. If that be so, the farmers claim that there may be an equal error of judgment in regard to tuberculin.

Whether this be true or not, the farmers want only the full value of the cattle killed under this tuberculosis crusade.

If they were paid the full market value, they would probably import all the old cows they could secure and would welcome the test. They would also like to have the privilege of appraising the cows thus killed by the state officials. It is difficult if not impossible to detect the presence of tuberculosis bacilli in milk and the bacilli in beef are destroyed by being heated to 167 degrees Fahrenheit. Any germs in milk, and there are usually about 40,000 in each drop, are destroyed by being heated to the same temperature, viz: 167 degrees F.

If milk were thus sterilized, it is probable that the death rate among children would be greatly reduced. Sterilized milk would also be a great benefit to the sick as it is difficult to get unsterilized milk that is entirely pure or safe to drink.

This is a matter to which Inspector Allen has given much attention. He has advised the boiling of water and the sterilization of milk before drinking, and if his advice were followed there would be fewer deaths and less work for undertakers.

The farmers are to appeal to the next legislature for a change in the law, but it is likely that their agitation will only have the effect of causing the law to be made more stringent in the interest of the public health.

THERE is a little arithmetical problem to be figured out in the New York investigation. It is this: If an officer gets three years for accepting a bribe of four baskets of oranges, how many years should a man receive for receiving $15,000 or for levying tribute annually for protection for wrongdoing? Let us see. That is a problem in simple proportion. It will be everything but simple to the culprits.

A POLICE inspector's position in New York was as good as a cinch on a little gold mine. To get $6000 in perquisites yearly was certainly a boon to a man who had less than $2000 salary. If an income tax been levied on such men, wonder how much of their incomes they would acknowledge.

MR. JOHN A. NICHOLS of this city is out again on a lecture tour, this time with a brand new illustrated lecture on the Slums of New York. He rivals Stoddard in catering to public taste and curiosity.

TO PLAY THE DEVIL.

A Story of the Days of the Miracle Plays of Long Ago.

Many a familiar phrase may be traced to the old miracle plays. "To play the devil" is one of them. Naturally the devil played a most prominent part in those old world dramas whereof the Oberammergau passion play is now almost the sole survival. And when these old plays gave way to the moralities his satanic majesty was felt to be far too important a personage to be dropped. The devil, too, could and did tear a passion to tatters. He was paid for it, but none too well paid if we may judge from a veteran pay sheet, where we read: "Paid to Herod, 8s. 4d.; item to Pilate, his wife, 2s.; item to the devil, 1s. 6d."

We know not how much guerdon was received by a certain John Adroyns, to whom it once fortuned to "play the dyvyl" at a certain market town in Suffolk when the seventh Henry ruled this realm. But even if he played gratis he had some fun for his pains, for as he trudged homeward after dusk in his devil's apparel he stumbled on the curate of his parish and two or three other unthrifts rabbit poaching. The poachers mistook him for the genuine article and took to their heels, leaving behind them a horse laden with conies. John Adroyns mounts the horse and rides off to inform the lord of the rabbit warren, thinking to be thanked for restoring the plunder. But first one servant and then the other, after a peep at him, runs away to tell the master of the house that the devil is at the door, sitting on a horse laden with souls, and "by likelihood he is come for your soul. Purpose ye to let him have your soul? And if he had it I ween he would be gone."

On hearing these words from the fourth frightened servant the master called his chaplain and bade him get bell, book and candle and go with him to the door. To the door they went with as many servants as durst at their heels. And the chaplain bade the horseman in the name of the Holy Trinity tell his errand, whereupon John Adroyns made answer: "Fear not me, for I am a good devil. I am John Adroyns, your neighbor, that played the devil today in the play. I bring my master a dozen or two of his own conies and the horse of the thieves who for fear ran away." And so, knowing his voice, "they unsparred the door and let him in, and the aforesaid fear was turned to mirth and sport."—Macmillan's Magazine.

Encouraging.

Consumptive (in Colorado)—Is this room well situated for an invalid?

Landlady—It couldn't be better. I've had three consumptives here the past year, and they liked it so well that not one left until he died.—Life.

Not Necessary.

Briggs—Gamble doesn't dress so well as he used to.

Griggs—He doesn't have to. He's doubled his income.—Clothier and Furnisher.

SALT-RHEUM; FLESH CRACKED OPEN AND BLED.

MISS LOTTIE CLARK, *River Falls, Pierce County, Wisconsin*, writes:

"It gives me pleasure to express my faith in the virtue of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. Having suffered for three years from salt-rheum, and after having been unsuccessfully treated by a good physician, I began the use of the 'Discovery.' The humor was in my hands. I was obliged to keep a covering on them for months at a time, changing the covering morning and night. The stinging, burning and itching sensation would be so intense that at times it seemed as if I would go crazy. When I bent the fingers, the flesh would crack open and bleed. It is impossible for me to describe the intense pain and suffering which I endured night and day. After taking six bottles of the 'Discovery' I was entirely cured.

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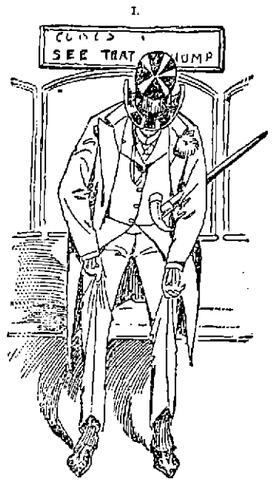

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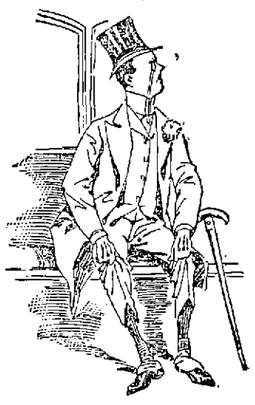

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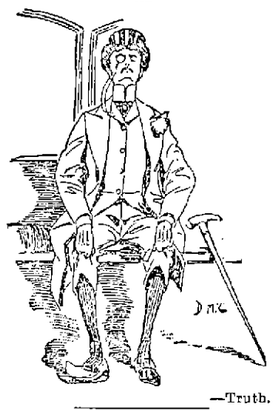

—Truth.

Backwoods Diplomacy.

A man who has just returned from a hunting trip in the forests of northern Maine vouches for the entire truth of the following story, as he had it direct from the sheriff:

A man who lives in the Mount Katahdin region went into the office of a justice of the peace a few days since and inquired about the penalty for hunting deer with dogs, and very particularly as to whether one-half the fine did not go to the informer.

The justice consulted the game laws and assured him that it did.

"Very well," said the man. "I want to complain of myself and settle."

The justice could not back out, and so gave the transgressor "a clean bill of health" upon payment of one-half of the penalty.

It seems that the man got wind of the fact that a game warden had got the "drop" on him on his deer poachings with his dogs and was only waiting an opportunity to arrest him; hence his shrewd bit of diplomacy.—Portland Argus.

For Economy.

The waiter had their orders.

"Dearest," he whispered, "do you really mean it when you say you will be mine?"

She was a bit impatient.

"Fitz Maurice," she replied, "did I not just this moment say plain stew when I might have said terrapin?"

That was certainly conclusive.—Detroit Tribune.

A Wrong Idea.

A well known actor had a horror of street music. On one occasion the "waits" played before his house at midnight and waited on him next morning. They were ushered into his room.

"Well," said the actor, "what do you want?"

"We played before your house last night," said the musicians.

"I heard you," was the reply.

"We have come for our little gratuity," said the melodious invaders.

"Why, bless me," said the sufferer, "I thought you came to apologize."—Tit-Bits.

Indefinite.

Clara—Mr. Sandstone wanted me to tell him your age last night.

Maud—But you didn't.

Clara—Not exactly. I only gave it to him in round numbers.—Life.

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CATARRH IS A SERIOUS AND PAINFUL DISEASE.

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Mr. Allen D. Gordon, an old, highly esteemed citizen, residing at 50 Whitney avenue, Centralville, says: "When I began my course of treatment with Drs. Pearson and Carroll, I had been slowly declining in health—going down hill so to speak—for over two years. I found the treatment to be wonderfully efficacious and felt from the very start that it was the treatment under which I was soon bound to get well, and I was not disappointed.

"There isn't so much to say about my case. I had catarrh with its aggravating symptoms. But I suffered most from

ALLEN D. GORDON.

pain all through the muscles of my back, across the kidneys and in the calfs of my legs. Sometimes I suffered intensely. I kept losing flesh, became thin, and was all tired out by any little exertion.

"A neighbor of mine who has been cured by Drs. Pearson and Carroll urged me to consult them. In three days after I began the treatment all the pains disappeared. My other trouble gradually improved. I have steadily gained flesh. Have good appetite. Feel like a new man. I gladly and heartily recommend Dr. Pearson to all sufferers."

The $3 offer includes old patients who renew as well as new patients and applies to all catarrh diseases. All patients beginning treatment before Jan. 1, will be treated at the rate of $3 a month until cured.

CURED AT HOME.

Almost every mail brings letters like the following from patients who have been receiving Dr. Pearson's home treatment:

NEWPORT, N. H., Nov. 5, 1894.

DRS. PEARSON & CARROLL:

DEAR SIRS—I have just finished using the medicines and I am feeling so well that I do not think it necessary to continue longer. I have gained flesh and feel stronger; my appetite is very good. I rest better at night. In fact, I am entirely relieved of all my troubles, and I feel well in every way. I fully appreciate what you have done for me, and I wish you as much success with all your other patients. Very respectfully,

MRS. E. C. CUTTS.

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Odd Fancies in Madeup Furs Described by Mate Leroy.

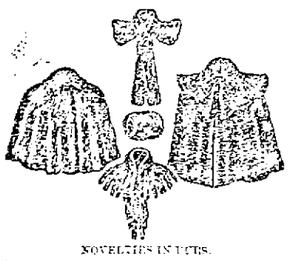
Many New and Novel Uses for Fur this Season—Charming Evening Costumes—Wide Moire Sash Ribbons Coming from Paris—Reign of the Princess Gown.

WINTER WEAR FOR WOMEN.

At the right is a heavy diagonal serge English tailor suit of gray with a double cape and high turn down collar. The skirt and cape have white silk embroidery. In the center is a prune brocaded satin gown with a three-quarter mantle of prune velvet trimmed with Alaska sable. At the left is a tailor suit of dark drab covert suiting.

We see but little really novel this week, with the exception of some odd fancies in madeup furs and a few new designs in cloaks and capes, but these are beautiful enough to make up for the lack of many other things. One quiet and elegant little cape of close Persian, which reached just below the waist, was shown me the other day. There was a cape collar over this, made so that the upper portion was perfectly flat, while the edges rounded up in a flare, like a bell. Above this was a turn-down collar, just meeting at the throat.

There was another, intended for a young lady, of mink fur, cut in plain circular shape, with a flat collar. This was very



NOVELTIES IN FURS.

full, so that it hung in heavy folds all around. These, however, though very pretty, were not special novelties like the victorine, made entirely of mink tails, with a roll collar as the only solid piece of fur about it. There were 57 tails used to make this victorine. There was another curiously shaped collarette of black fur. That part which encircled the neck extended down the front like two long cravat ends, and they were passed through a slide of fur that gave the appearance of being tied like a man's necktie. At the lower edge of this there was a sprung collar about 6 inches wide.

These two novelties were very dressy and pretty. There was a neckscarf of black Alaska sable about 4 inches wide through the middle portion. Toward the ends the fur widened to 6 inches and was cut slanting on the ends, and it finished off with two tails to each end. It crossed over and fastened with a hook and eye. There was a victorine of a yellow fur combined with black Persian. The upper portion and collar were of Persian, and all around the edges the yellow fur was set in with deep vandyke points. It was very showy.

Black Persian and astrakhan are combined with ermine and chinchilla in many little capes and collarettes, and they are very pretty. The Eton jacket of fur is quite a rage among those who have slim figures. The black Persian and moire astrakhan are prettier than any other for this purpose. The undyed Persian looks clumsy for some reason.

Furs are treated differently this year from any style ever before seen. Sealskin and other furs are made into bows and loops, plaited and puffed. I scarcely like to see them arranged in this way, but others may like them. The Eton jackets are made to button closely and are double or single breasted, as each lady may prefer. If they are double breasted, they have sharp revers and collar and are slightly open at the neck. The single breasted style buttons or closes invariably to the chin, and there is a choker collar. I saw one black Persian double breasted Eton with immense revers of sealskin. The sleeves were of the Persian, with small pointed cuffs of the sealskin. This was very rich and effective.

Almost every tailor made gown has a small line of fur around the skirt. Some have two or three. I admired one very much. The skirt was of a gray blue covert cloth, and around the bottom there were three very narrow bands of black Persian, and two a trifle wider were carried up the skirt to the waist line. With this was worn one of the Eton jackets such as I have been describing.

One would think that sealskin was a very difficult material to embroider, but it is possible, and the effect of such manipulation is extremely rich. I saw a princess shaped sealskin coat reaching quite to the ground. It was lapped to the left and fastened with three large buttons, one set exactly at the waist and one above and one below. There were large revers of the seal richly embroidered in shaded brown silks, for the most part in the dull bronze shades. This was raised high by means of some kind of padding under the stitches. The revers collar and cuffs were all decorated in this way. The sleeves were gigot and laid in thick plaits. The whole garment was beautiful. So was the suit it cost—namely, $1,860. But that does not seem so very much to those who are able to buy such superb garments. I saw a cape which reached but little below the waist that cost $7,500. It was of Russian sable and lined with imperial ermine. I wonder if the wearers take $7,500 worth of comfort out of such expensive things? I think I would like to try.

Some women would be quite as happy in a new winter cape that was sold last week. It was military form, but reached to below the knees and was lined with folds of a deep cardinal and interlined with the wadded canton flannel now used for such purposes in place of the quilted silk used before. This cape was made of heavy ottoman silk, and all around the edge there was an appliqué of sealskin cut out in scallops. There was an application of fancy black soutache, with picot edges set on as a heading and forming triple loops. This trimming went all around, on the front and around the neck. The collar was of sealskin, and the fur along the fronts was made considerably deeper than that on the bottom.

It is one of the curiosities of fashionable life that, while the warmest furs and thickest dresses are in season, the thinnest and flimsiest of lace and other airy fabrics are seen, muffs and tippets for day, tulle and fans for evening. Here also one finds the devotees of fashion engaged in a wild search after the new. The choice of delicate and ethereal stuffs is a wide one this season. The black tulle and net covered with spangles and pendants make enchanting gowns, fit for fairy queens. There are pale pink, blue and maize crepe lisse gowns that are as light as summer clouds, and they float in the most graceful of curves. Crepe lisse and chiffon are both exquisitely beautiful for evening for the

VISITING COSTUMES.

young. In fact, they are so lovely and they add so much of delicacy to the wearer that half the elderly women have taken to wearing one or the other in the form of lavish draperies on the waist and sleeves of their grand toilets. Even velvet waists are arranged with such garniture and have sleeves that are as fluffy and almost as voluminous as a ballet girl's skirts.

In my pilgrimages last week I found an old gown which was kept hidden from public eye until the proper person should come in. And, by the way, the dressmakers have certain customers who always have the pick and choice of the imported gowns, and the dressmaker, knowing the taste and special requirements of each, keeps back one of the garments at her own risk until the customer comes in. This dress was lying in wait, so to speak, for the unwary.

It was of a pepper and salt green, if I may use that expression. The goods were thick and raised in a curious manner, and the material color was a muddy green. The sleeves were shirred in two places about 2 inches wide, which left three full puffs, the upper one being very full and large. The other two were smaller and closer. At the wrist there was a little ruffle formed by the shirring of the material. There were perhaps ten rows of threads of the shirring which formed the cuff part, and the others had three or four. The waist was gathered full on the shoulders, and from the bust down it was shirred closely in a manner which fitted it to the figure. There was a small point in front and back, and to define it there was a draped moire ribbon ending in two full rosettes, one at each side of the waist. On the right shoulder there was set a sharp little bow of green moire of a soft, messy shade. The collar was a stock of draped velvet of a deep wine color, with two buckles of an opalescent metal. The skirt was full and fluted, but not too wide, and at the bottom there was let in, one inch above the edge, a narrow fold of the wine colored velvet not over an eighth of an inch wide. The whole gown was lined with old gold faille. The finish and exactness of every stitch of this gown were a delight to the eye. There was a double ruffle of old rose and moss green taffeta, both pinked, set in under the skirt, so that the two edges almost showed. I wonder who will get that dress. Whoever does will pay $175 for it. It is unique in a way, as so far I have never seen any of the material anywhere of which it is made. It is as soft as crepon, thick as cheviot and both rough and smooth at the same time. I don't believe that such material was ever woven, and imagine that it must be some freak of nature, and that it just "growed," like Topsy.

The new fans for this season are not very large nor too small, but are of exquisite workmanship. Some have inlaid ebony and ivory sticks, with delicate tracery of gold and flowers formed of mother of pearl or enamel. There are some feather fans, but not as many as there should be, as they are always dainty and graceful. The most of the others are made of gauze and crape. Sometimes one will be seen

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made of black lace drawn smoothly over white crepe lisse or white lace over some light colored silk. Some of the black fans are spangled, and I noticed one with a fringe of spangles which rattled sharply with every motion.

I was told in a private letter from Paris that there are to be worn many wide moire sash ribbons. They will not be tied nor looped, but made up into flat bows with long ends, and these will be fastened to the waist. The long ends are to be left free. The exact position where these bows are to be set is not fixed. They may be on one side or the other, directly in front, in the back, or set up at the bust line, if so desired, but the bow and ends must be there. I should have said that all these bows are black.

This same letter says that the princess shape of dress will be a vogue in Paris at least and adds that many are now being privately shown as models where all the trimming and whole general plan of the middle age gowns are closely followed. They all have demitrains. Perhaps this is intended to follow the Gismonda costumes, and, if so, the designers make no mistake. I saw Fanny Davenport in her play of that name and was struck then by the wonderful grace and beauty of the costumes she wears. Two of them are on princesse, and they are superb. One was of a delicate old rose embroidered all over with flower-de-luce in blue pearl beads. The sleeves and corsage were trimmed with a network and fringe of the beads, and down the right side there was a cascade of the same.

The other dress was a white one cut princess, with loose draperies of lace covered with gold spangles hanging from the shoulders.

Darker and heavier goods than these, however, are also made in this style, and the princess gown is seen not seldom upon the streets now. MATE LEROY.

Irish Trade.

The value of Irish exports last year was $1,029,295 and of imports $14,094,490.

Signs of the Weather.

The "old weather lore," founded on natural appearances, is the only true weather guide. Old sailors and shepherds, whose lives are continuously spent in the open air, have always been considered the most "weatherwise" from their daily observance of the appearances of the sky. So far as my own experience goes, I have observed that a dappled or "mackerel sky—never long dry," as the old proverb says—is a pretty sure forerunner of a speedy downfall. Light, fleecy morning clouds are another sign of rain. Another well known appearance is "Noah's ark," which is when the clouds represent the shape of the hulk of a ship, and if the ends point in the quarter of the prevailing wind it is a certain sign that rain will speedily follow.

A very pale blue evening sky and sickly flickering stars are an invariable sign that we shall have rain on the morrow. With regard to approaching storms, I have always found a very glittering, sunny day, having a peculiar glare, to be the precursor of a storm, and a hazy circle round the moon is an indication of stormy weather. We are told by scientific meteorologists that no one can tell the state of weather which we are to have for more than 48 hours, and this I firmly believe.—Yorkshire (England) Herald.

Prepared to Do His Duty.

The prosecuting attorney in a western Kansas village had been out with the boys the night before and taken a leading part in a free fight, in which one saloon had been cleaned out and considerable damage done to the glassware and fixtures in another.

In the pursuance of his regular duty as an official he appeared before the police magistrate the next morning, fully sobered and ready for business. In front of him was a stack of lawbooks, and he held in his hand a warrant for his own arrest on the charge of drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

"Your honor," he said, rising and addressing the court with emphasis and deliberation, "as village attorney I am here to prosecute this case, and as defendant," he added, jabbing a long bowie knife into the table and laying a huge navy revolver down by the side of it, "I am here, sir, to defend myself!"

"Enter a nolle pros., Mr. Ferguson," said the magistrate hastily.—Chicago Tribune.

The Age and the Name.

A Detroit young man, with a fancy for horseflesh and a knowledge of the same not commensurate therewith, some time ago went horse hunting on his own responsibility and picked up what he thought was a cracker jack. He was a Blue Grass hoss and was as lively as a cricket, so lively, in fact, that the young man was sure he had a 6-year-old. Several days after the purchase, and he had been showing the horse around and crowing over him, he met the colored man who had had charge of him.

"By the way, Sam," he said, "what's the horse's name?"

"Lexin'ton, sah."

"Does he know it?"

"I spec' he do, sah," said Sam innocently; "he's had it for 18 yeabs, sah."—Detroit Free Press.

A Needless Inquiry.

"What was the principal object of interest in America when you were there?"

The eminent British novelist looked at his questioner with chilling scorn and replied:

"I was, of course."—Washington Star.

FROM OUR 5 O'CLOCK EDITION

Of Yesterday.

MURDERER WANTS A PARDON.

HE WAS A FORMER LOWELL BOY IN 1877.

Asks the Governor for the Third Time to Pardon Him on the Ground That He Is Innocent.

Albert Joy who is serving a life sentence in prison for the murder of Charles H. Gilman on April 11, 1877, has petitioned the governor and council for pardon.

The case is most peculiar. Joy makes his petition for a pardon on the ground that he is innocent of the murder, also that he was convicted on insufficient testimony, solely circumstantial in nature. It is unusual for the council to meet with such a plea. Generally the guilt is acknowledged, and the petitioners pray for leniency on account of mitigating circumstances.

Joy, at the time of the commission of the murder, was a young man of about 21 years of age. He had been employed up to three days previous to the fateful April 11, by M. A. Ranlett, a stable keeper of Lowell.

Gilman persuaded Joy to turn a travelling agent of a new needle-threading device. They went to Rockport where later Gilman's body was found. Joy was arrested and convicted and sentenced to be hanged Oct. 17. While the scaffold was being built the sentence was commuted to life imprisonment.

FLAHERTY-DIXON MATCH.

Nothing In It Says Rob Roy of the Post.

Someone is circulating a foolish story to the effect that Martin Flaherty is matched to fight George Dixon. It is absolutely untrue. A man spoke to Tom O'Rourke and said he could get a $1000 backing for Flaherty against Dixon, and O'Rourke said he would give Flaherty a chance if he would make a side bet, even as low as $1000 a side.

That was the last of it, and no sign or word of Flaherty or his money has been received since. While Flaherty is all right and an able pugilist, there are a few others "along the line" he might try with before looking for Dixon.

The statement has been made, and it is now reiterated, that Young Starlight will meet Flaherty, on any terms, winner take all.—Post.

FUNERAL SERVICES.

The funeral of the late Richard B. Allen will take place tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock from the Immaculate Conception church.

GREENWOOD—The funeral of the late Mary J. Greenwood occurred this afternoon from her home, 63 Lakeview avenue. Services were held at the Edson cemetery, Rev. Mr. Sinclair officiating. Interment was in that cemetery, J. W. Brooks in charge.

COLLINS—The funeral of the late Thos. Collins took place this morning from St. Peter's church. A large number of relatives and friends of the deceased were present. Rev. T. F. McManus celebrated the high mass of requiem, and the choir directed by T. F. Molloy rendered the plain Gregorian chant.

The pall bearers were four sons of the deceased, Cornelius, Michael, Thomas and Dennis J. Collins, and two nephews of the deceased. At the request of the family there were no floral offerings. The remains were interred in the Catholic cemetery.

DEATHS.

RYAN—Annie J. Ryan, wife of Patrick J. Ryan, the Central street provision dealer, died yesterday at her home, 51 Kidder street.

LANDRY—Mrs. Emile Landre, died of heart trouble at her home on Moody street. She leaves four sons, James, Denis, Louis and Edward Landry, and three daughters, Mrs. Charles Lafamme, Mrs. J. W. Paradis and Mrs. N. Goodene.

McLENNON—Mary J. McLennon, aged 26 years, died today at her home, 26 Grand street.

BRIGHAM—Miss Mary A. Brigham, for many years a clerk in Lowell stores, died at her home on Bartlett street, this morning. She was very widely known and highly respected. Her last employment up till a few weeks ago was at A. G. Pollard & Co.'s. She had previously worked for Mitchell and in Skinner's. She was a woman of firm opinion and quite a forcible writer. A brother, Charles W. Brigham, and three sisters, one at the Northern station office, one at Cook, Taylor & Co.'s, and one with the Talbot family survive her.

Death of Johnnie Bowers.

Jona Bowers, the most notable man in or around Lowell in the popular mind, and a man whose reputation and fame has been built stronger and stronger with each succeeding generation, is no more. He passed away at his home at Willow Dale, Tyngsboro, at 8 o'clock this morning. His death was not unexpected for he had been ailing for sometime from the infirmities of age rather than any specific complaint.

A feeling of sadness will go over the whole community in his death for who had not known Johnnie Bowers, in name or person but to feel an attachment for him. Years ago, when prominent men of today were little shavers who went to church picnics, Jona Bowers established himself in a sylvan retreat on the shores of Tyng's pond and there received the homage of city people who were out on picnics. And for two generations almost, he was familiarly known, never losing the people's good will, although the patronage had been diverted by the advent of the powerful street railway combine which sought a share of his picnic business. Next to Mr. Bowers' reputation as a host his fried potatoes brought him fame, and no less a personage than Gov. Greenhalge wrote an ode to them, which ode today is on the bags containing Bowers' fried potatoes.

But aside from Mr. Bowers' as a popular celebrity, he was a well respected man and of late years a kindly old gentleman. He leaves two sons, John and George, who have long been associated with him, and a daughter, Mrs. F. E. Jewett.

Fire While Thawing Pipes.

The alarm from box 39 this morning was for a fire in a cottage house in Fay's court, off Willie street. Plumbers were engaged in thawing out water pipes and the partition caught fire. The flames crept along to the upper stories and when the firemen arrived they found it necessary to tear down some of the plastering to reach the blaze.

A stream from the chemical was then put on and the fire was extinguished. The damage was slight.

Raiding Grocery Stores.

The police of Manchester have made another important move in the anti-saloon crusade by raiding all of the grocery houses where liquors are sold to be delivered to families, but which have no bars. Among those raided were several of the leading grocery houses of the city.

THE EXTRA WORK

City Engineer Bowers Explains the Bill Items.

HE AUTHORIZED THE CHANGES IN THE PLANS.

Bridge Company Appears to Have Been Square.

The refusal of the committee on accounts to approve the bills of the Groton Bridge company, which includes charges for extra work amounting to about $420, has occasioned much talk among people who want to know about this extra work and what it means.

Mr. Bowers' statement to a SUN reporter this morning is quite explanatory and shows there must have been a misunderstanding somewhere or the bill would have been approved by the committee on accounts. In the first place Mr. Bowers authorized the changes which occasioned the extra work and according to the contract he had the right to do so. The changes made were all required. The railroad company found it would have to set the track according to Mr. Bower's ideas. This required extra paving on E. Merrimack street and the company requested Mr. Bowers to have the paving done. Mr. Bowers agreed, and bought from the bridge company 1280 paving blocks at $60 per thousand. Of course this was charged to the city but will be paid by the railroad company. Several other minor changes were made, one of which was requested by the water department so that they might be able without much bother to reach their pipes.

The bridge company did not send in a bill for extras; the bill was prepared by Engineer Bowers, as per contract, and approved by the committee on streets. The Groton Bridge company has not received a cent from the city for the bridge, as the contract states that forty days after the bridge is completed and the engineer signs a certificate, the money shall be paid.

The items in the bill for extras were as follows: 11 1-10 cubic yards concrete, $77.70; 20 bbls extra cement around railroad tracks, $34.80; 30 bbls cement for encircling concrete, $43.20; cement work on end dams, $5.80; 16 feet railroad iron and drilling same, $10.05; raising shoe plates on bridge, $00; steel plates for scuppers $8.25; work on snow holes, $51.50; iron work on end dams $21.20; 8 post bolts $3.00; rail plates and setting same $85.10; 1280 paving blocks $76.80; 1 1-2 bbls. cement (sewer department) $1.80. The above includes work done for the railroad company through Mr. Burns, and the city's bill against the railroad amounts to about $400.

For demurrage the bridge company was charged $085.70 upon recommendation of Mr. Bowers. The items were; removing fasein plate, as per agreement $180; drilling and setting nail posts, $5.70; 20 days forfeiture $500.

From Mr. Bowers' statement it would appear that the bridge company has done the square thing for its delay in not completing the bridge was in part due to its willingness to allow the street railway, the sewer and water department the right to work on the bridge at the same time.

Funeral of Thomas Lennon.

The remains of the late Thomas Lennon were interred in the Catholic cemetery this afternoon.

The funeral occurred from the residence 58 Third street and was very largely attended, the cortege being composed of many carriages in which rode the relatives and friends of the deceased.

The pall bearers were Messrs. Thomas Lennon, James Commerford, Edward Commerford and John Commerford.

The ushers at the house were Messrs. Frank Feeney and Thomas Commerford.

At the grave the committal service was conducted by Rev. Fr. Gilday of the St. Michael's church.

Among the floral tributes were a mammoth gates ajar with the inscription "Farewell Tom," on the base, from several of his friends; a beautiful floral wreath from John Lennon and family; a large floral cross from P. J. Hoar, Esq.; a pillow inscribed "Friend" from C. W. Deehan; spray of roses from Miss Riley; spray of pinks, Mrs. Dr. Phelan; spray of roses from the Cummiskey family; spray of roses from Mrs. M. J. Hodgdon.

A Rough Ocean Awaits Them.

Michael Kane, Annie Flannigan, Mary Bowman, Mr. and Mrs. James P. Denner, John Smith and George H. Warley leave Boston tomorrow on the Cunard line steamer Catalonia for the old country, all booked through Murphy's steamship agency.

A Tribute of Respect.

The water board has passed resolutions on the death of Richard Bernard Allen, a member, which are couched in very eloquent and feeling language. His loss to the city and community is emphasized.

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HORSE BLANKETS.—We got two bales of Woolen Horse Blankets from a mill that sold us their entire line of Sample Blankets, extra large size, very heavy quality, straps and Buckles. The price is about two-thirds the regular price. If you are in need of any it will be to your advantage to see these. $2, $2.50, $3, $3.50.

Merrimack Street—Basement.

BLACK GOODS DEPARTMENT.—Look at the prices, they tell the story. For the quality see them at the counter. Lot of remnants of Black Dress Goods from 36 to 52 inches wide, 39c. a yard. Lot of 22 inch Black Broadcloths; on the piece it is $1.50 a yard; the remnant price is 79c. a yard.

Palmer Street, Right Aisle.

NAPIER TOILET GOODS.—On the counter facing the Merrimack street entrance we have displayed articles manufactured by the Napier Chemical Co., and can recommend them. "None better made at any price." Lavender Cream, for Chapped hands, wounds, sprains, eczema, etc.; two sizes, 12c. and 38c. a jar. Spirits of Camphor, refined, large size 38c. bottle. Glycerine and Rose Water, two sizes, 13c. and 38c. bottle. Rose Water 13c. bottle. Saponaceous Tooth Powder only 25c. a bottle. English Essence Jamaica 19c. a bottle. English Essence Peppermint 19c. a bottle.

Merrimack Street, Front.

HOSIERY AND UNDERWEAR.—During the rush of Christmas business we rather neglected advertising this department. There are a great many bargains to be had here. Call before it is too late, as the lots are small. Ladies' Black Fleeced Hose, double toe and heel, 25c. Ladies' Black Fleeced Hose, ribbed top, double sole, 38c. Ladies' Black Silk Fleeced Hose, double toe and heel, extra good, 50c. Ladies' Fleeced Hose in tan, slate, and Balbriggan, 25c. and 35c. Children's Black Fleeced Hose, plain and ribbed, 15c, 25c, 38c. Ladies' Black Cashmere Hose, double toe and heel, very elastic, 42c, 50c, 75c. Ladies' Jersey Vests and Pants, combed Egyptian cotton, fleeced, gusset arm, extra heavy, long or short sleeves, 50c.

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Everything must be closed out immediately. The prices and values have not been considered in this great Mark-Down.

500 pairs White and Colored Blankets at 45c. a pair.
300 pairs White Woolen Blankets, worth $5 for $2.98 a pair.
250 pairs All-Wool Blankets, worth $8.50, for $5 a pair.
All our Handknit Woolen goods, such as Hoods, Fascinators, Leggings, Mittens, Shoulder Capes, Jackets and Skirts at greatly reduced prices.
1 Lot Men's Heavy Blue Ribbed Shirts, were $1.25, now 50c.
Men's Woolen Gloves, were 50c., now 25c. a pair.
All our Ladies', Gentleman's and Children's Woolen Underwear and Hosiery at prices lower than ever.
1 Lot Red Table Damask, was 29c. a yard, now 19c. a yard.
1 Lot Red Table Damask, was 37½c. a yard, now 25c. a yard.
Misses' Woolen Dresses, sizes from 4 to 12 years, worth from $3.50 to $10 each, at from $1.50 to $4.99 each.

DRESS GOODS.

1 lot Parisian Novelties, were $10, $11, and $12.50, now $4.50, $5, and $6.

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Matinee at 2.30 P. M. Night at 8 P. M.

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Tuesday, January 1st.

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Thursday evening, advanced class (season tickets only) 8 to 10.30.
Friday evening, beginners class 7.45 to 10.
Friday afternoon, young people (advanced).
Saturday afternoon, children beginners 2 to 2.30.
Saturday afternoon, children advanced 3 to 5.
Saturday evening, intermediates 7.45 to 10.30.
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SUN WEATHER BULLETIN.

ALMANAC FOR SATURDAY, DEC. 29.

Sun rises	7 [illegible]
Sun sets	4 [illegible]
Moon sets	[illegible]
Lake Champlain	[illegible]

Forecast for New England: Generally fair; warmer; variable winds, becoming southwest.

LOCAL NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. Alcide Lamarre are visiting in Canada.

Blankets only 45 cents a pair at Cook, Taylor & Co.'s, Central street. Read their advertisement.

Now is the time to buy stoves and oil heaters cheap. The place is J. J. Gaynor & Co.'s, 85 Prescott street.

Bible lands and bible peoples, will be the subject of an address by Supt. Whitcomb to the Union Bible class today.

Edward W. Parker, for 12 years sexton of the Paige street church, has been presented a fine gold headed cane.

The young ladies who are to tend tables at the Burke's fair, met last night and after talking over matters enjoyed a dance in the institute hall.

Don't cough from morning till night and from night till morning when you can buy a bottle of Allenwood's Cough Balsam for a quarter that is sure to cure.

John McCullough, a lad of perhaps a dozen years, says he was knocked down and robbed of 22 cents on Jefferson street, yesterday afternoon, by a man.

"If it rains much" says an old proverb, "in the twelve days after Christmas, it will be a wet year." As it snowed after Christmas it is to be presumed that wet weather is imminent.

See what Lawler has to say in THE SUN today. He believes everybody should turn over a new leaf in keeping accounts, and better than that to start accounts in new books which he can furnish.

Additional prizes have been offered for the teams entered in the Lowell Reform club bowling tournament and the rivalry between the various teams, together with an additional incentive of an extra prize for the winning team, promises to make the games intensely interesting.

Whist Club Meeting.

The Lila whist club met with Joseph W. Stiles, of 21 Dutton street, last evening. C. M. Young and Mrs. C. H. Glidden won the prizes. The next meeting, Jan. 10th, will be at Mr. and Mrs. Sewall Potter's, 14 Wachusett street.

The Brussels Weavers.

The Brussels Weavers' union met in the Mathews hall last night for the semi-annual election which resulted as follows: Joseph Cox, president; James Flood, vice president; George Farrell, recording secretary; Patrick Kennedy, financial secretary; Arthur McFadden, treasurer; John Devins, sergeant-at-arms. Board of trustees, Henry Bloxen and Misses Watson and Powers. Executive committee, John H. McAloon, John Galvin, Joseph Coughlin, James Flood, John Purcell, Henry McCarthy, and Joseph Cox, ex-officio.

Among Society People.

Mrs. Julian Talbot of Nesmith street informally entertained in honor of Mrs. Richard H. Ewart of New York, yesterday afternoon.

The Young Married people gave one of their delightful social parties in Runels hall last evening, with Mrs. G. H. Pillsbury and Mrs. Willis Farrington as matrons.

One of the swell New Year receptions will be that of Tuesday evening at Mr. E. L. White's on Nesmith street. Then for the younger set at the Misses Cushing on Mt. Washington street. On Wednesday evening Mrs. Paul R. George reopens the magnificent residence on Chelmsford street in honor of her neice, Mrs. Ethel Livingston.

WHERE'S STUART MURPHY?

Clerk McLaughlin is Pretty Certain of Keeping His Place at the State House.

It now looks as if Clerk Ed. McLaughlin of the house of representatives will keep his seat the coming year and will not be ousted for a republican.

The only previous contest there has been for the clerkship since Mr. McLaughlin was elected in 1886 was made in 1888, when Henry Moulton of Lowell was a candidate. Frederick T. Greenhalge was that year a member of the House, and he voted for Mr. McLaughlin against his own townsman. In the 50 votes, though, his friends were confident of his success before the vote was taken.

Today Gov. Greenhalge is as much interested in the re-election of Mr. McLaughlin as Representative Greenhalge was in 1888.

SOCIETY ELECTIONS.

Court Columbus, A. O. F., made choice of these officers last night: A. Bourbonniere, C. R; James Madden, S. C. R; Dennis Healey, fin. sec; James A. McCusker, rec. sec; Bryan McFadden, treasurer; Michael McHugh, S. W; John J. Owens, J. W; William Healey, S. B; J. J. Sullivan, J. B; Patrick Craig, trustee for three years; Dr. James B. O'Connor, physician. With the exception of the junior woodward, who was sick, and Mr. Owens elected in his stead, all the court officers were reelected.

Garfield Colony of Pilgrim Fathers held its election last night, as follows: Governor, Alcerzo D. Hartford; lieutenant governor, Mrs. Aurelia Hall; secretary, Frank G. Randlett; collector, Miss Bertha Mitchell; treasurer, Edwin A. Howe; chaplain, W. A. Severance; sergeant at arms, Timothy Mahoney; deputy sergeant-at-arms, Mrs. Isabelle Storey; sentinel of inner gate, Miss Emma Cottrell; sentinel of outer gate, Mrs. Catherine Mitchell; delegates to supreme colony, Edwin A. Howe, George L. Hall and Hiram E. Hartford; trustees, George L. Hall, Timothy Mahoney and Frank G. Randlett.

CLEAN UP PREMISES.

Sweeping Interpretation of an Order Issued by the State Fire Marshal.

Under the provisions of the statute creating the office of state fire marshal, it is made one of the duties of that officer to order the removal of combustible material or the correction of inflammable conditions which may exist upon any premises.

A part of the duty of the marshal's aids is to inspect premises where such conditions are supposed to exist and order the correction of defects when found.

Of late an inspector has been at work in Newburyport, where the rates for insurance have just been raised, and as a result of the inspection many official notices are being sent to the owners or occupants of buildings calling their attention to conditions which need correcting.

This is for the interest, not only on the occupant, but of those whose property might be endangered by a fire on the neglected premises, and of the insurance companies, and, through them, to the public at large. Hence, as an insurance man says, the public has a right to demand that the inflammable conditions be removed.

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E. A. Wilson, coal dealer, is selling coal at lowest cash prices; call at 51 Merrimack street.

Patten & Co. have the finest potted and cut flowers in the city, Sheehi's block, Central street.

The police officers of Manchester will petition the incoming city council for an increase of wages of 25 cents per day.

The greatest remedy for a cough ever known is Dr. Phelan's Cough syrup. A bottle costs 25 cents and is on sale at 229 Merrimack street.

A true, life-like photo is something everybody admires. Marion makes that kind. Visit his studio in Barristers' hall and have a sitting made.

R. H. Loupret, for 12 years assistant and of late manager of Loupret's studio, has resigned that position and is now with Freeman, the photographer, P. O. building, where he will be pleased to meet his friends.

The High street Y. P. S. C. E. has elected these officers, besides regular committees: Arthur L. Clark, president; Helen R. Boardman, vice president; Grace Radcliff, secretary; Grace Keniston, treasurer; Annie A. Cahill, corresponding secretary.

Lowell Boys Lost.

The basket ball team of the Y. M. C. A. went to Lawrence last evening and was defeated by the Lawrence Y. M. C. A. team 6 to 5. A large number of Lowell rooters were present at the game.

Begin the new year by making a deposit at the Lowell Five Cent Savings bank. Deposits placed upon interest Jan. 5th.

Reform Club Public Meeting.

At the Reform Club hall to-morrow evening addresses will be made by Rev. George H. Johnson of John Street Congregational church and by Elder John McAskie of the Central M. E. church. Vocal solos will be rendered by Michael Gorman, the well known vocalist, and by R. J. Fullerton, leader of the L. R. C. Glee club.

JUST A LITTLE GOSSIP.

The profit sharing experiment which has attracted widespread interest in textile circles, at the Bourne mills, Fall River, is now entering upon the last half of the sixth year.

The ten semi-annual dividends paid up to the present time have averaged over three per cent. on the amount of wages paid, or six per cent. a year, a sum greater than the same amount of money upon deposit in savings banks would have yielded.

The employes share in direct proportion to the stockholders and, strictly speaking, the plan should be called dividend sharing, rather than profit sharing, though the dividends of course come out of the profits. The Employes Savings fund afford a handy way of laying up small sums of money from week to week. Interest at five per cent. is allowed upon such sums as remain twelve full calendar months. When the sum of $5 has been saved, it may be transferred to a savings bank, and the possession of a savings bank book entitles the owner to the cash payment of a dividend the same as a credit in the Employees Savings fund.

The following statement from the Electrical World will be of special interest to telephone users who were interested in the outcome of the Berliner patents decision:

"It will be seen that at present all forms of telephone receivers and transmitters are free, and that on Jan. 15, the valuable patent on the use of the induction coil with transmitters will expire. As a consequence private lines may be installed and operated under the most advantageous circumstances. The situation as to the large exchange stations, however, is still much involved, and, owing to the multiplicity of patents concerned and the scant knowledge on the subject of requirements of exchanges outside of the Bell companies, it will be some time before it can be cleared up.

"It now seems that there would be much difficulty in economically operating any exchange of considerable size without the aid of switchboard and other devices covered by Bell patents. When, however, the difficulties to be overcome are clearly defined and understood, the matter will come within the province of the inventor, and the conditions would have to be singular indeed if some method of meeting them could not be eventually devised."

The saying "the cat came back," will probably be well illustrated by a legal case to determine if the captain of a tug boat is entitled to salvage on an abandoned bark picked up at sea. Courts have held that a ship is not abandoned while there is a living animal aboard. The tug captain was unwise enough to rescue a live cat from the ship, and the feline may be damaging proof against his claims. He may have to sue for his money.

SCHOOL FOR AMBITIOUS BOYS

FIRST STEP TOWARDS A TEXTILE ART SCHOOL IN LOWELL.

Committee Appointed to Go to the School Board and Present the Good Features of Such a Movement.

While the conference between Lowell mill men and the directors of the board of trade, last night, in relation to the establishment of a textile art school, was private, enough information was given out to ensure those interested that such a school may be started in the near future.

Among those at the conference were A. G. Cummock, agent of the Boott, Supt. John J. Hart of the Merrimack print works, Thomas Walsh superintendent of the Hamilton print works, E. S. Hylan of the New England Bunting company, Supt. of schools A. K. Whitcomb, Postmaster G. W. Pearson, J. F. Murphy, J. W. C. Pickering, Cassius W. Pierce and James O'Sullivan.

The subject was discussed at great length and in detail, but while its need was emphasized unanimously there was a difference of opinion as to how it should be started, founded and maintained. The subject will discussed at another conference when the mill men will read papers on their views of the school. In the meantime a committee consisting of A. G. Cummock, J. J. Hart, Thomas Walsh, A. K. Whitcomb and James T. Smith will endeavor to have a conference with the incoming school board to interest it in the subject.

Louis Alexander,

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23 Pounds of Sugar $1.00.

We are selling our patrons 23 lbs. of the best Granulated Sugar for $1.00. Free delivery to our Tea and Coffee customers. Dixon Bros., 98 Merrimack Street.

LABOR FIGURES

Decreased Purchases in Business Centres.

THE DEMAND FOR COTTON IS GREATLY REDUCED.

Other Matters Affecting the Market in General.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: Commercial failures in 1894 already reported to R. G. Dun & Co. number 14,292, against 15,242 last year, with liabilities of $163,238,404, against $346,779,889 last year.

Next week the final report of 1894 will probably include about 400 more failures, with liabilities of about $4,000,000. From these accounts, banks, bankers, financial and transportation companies are excluded.

Wages actually paid in November are compared today with working hours in establishments throughout the country, and in about 50 branches of industry the average being 236.4 hours per hand this year, 218.4 last year and 240.2 in 1892.

The wages paid per hour were 1.2 per cent less than last year, and 8.59 per cent less than in 1892. The hands employed in establishments reporting were 8.59 per cent more than last year, but 12.03 per cent less than in 1892. The total wages paid in these establishments in November were 16.33 per cent more than in November, 1893, but 21.77 per cent less than in November, 1892.

Thus the decrease in purchasing power of the working force is found to be due mainly to decrease in number of hands and hours of work, rather than to reduction of wages paid per hour.

Holiday trade has scarcely met expectations. Purchases have been numerous, but smaller than usual in amount and more confined to needful articles.

Wheat and Corn.

Wheat has declined ½ cent, though western receipts have been only 1,712,998 bushels, against 3,109,832 for the same week last year, but since Aug. 1 receipts have been a little larger than last year, and the visible supply is the largest ever known. Exports in December from both coasts have been a little larger than last year, but for the crop year about 20,000,000 bushels smaller.

The western estimate, usually regarded with most confidence, is that the crop will reach 515,000,000 bushels, which will leave for export, with stocks brought over, more than 200,000,000 bushels, of which only 75,000,000 bushels have gone abroad. Corn has declined ¾ cent, with good receipts.

Cotton and Wool.

The price of cotton has not changed, but the fact that receipts from plantations this month have been greater than in 1891, while stocks in sight here and abroad are larger than at the same date that year, is an obstacle to any rise. Revision of prices for cotton goods has been the controlling feature since the great auction, and wide shortings have been marked down about 10 per cent, while changes all along the line are expected. It is no longer disputed that the consuming demand has fallen below expectations and below the production which was kept up in the hope of increased consumption.

Very little has been done in woolen goods, all waiting for developments after Jan. 1, when new duties take effect. Low grade overcoats already opened show little change, and in dress goods one or two cases of slight advance are noted. Sales of wool this month have been 17,896,800 pounds, against 13,049,197 last year, and 21,302,300 in 1892, and Ohio XX has sold at 17 cents.

The market for iron and steel is waiting, but the reduction in wages at the Edgar Thompson works, averaging 15 per cent, plainly indicates the same difficulty which is seen in other quarters, that the demand in consumption does not answer increase in production of pig iron.

Failures for the week have been 350 in the United States, against 311 last year, and 41 in Canada, against 41 last year.

Over the Border.

Bradstreet's today says: Toronto jobbers say trade is very quiet and travelers from that city are not hurrying their departure, although at Montreal preparations are making in several lines to send out travelers.

At Quebec city shoe manufacturers report trade brisk. At Halifax the volume of business is moderate, and wholesale trade is dull. Collections throughout Nova Scotia are slow.

In Newfoundland the business situation remains unchanged, or as previously described, somewhat chaotic. Bank clearings at Winnipeg, Hamilton, Toronto, Montreal and Halifax aggregate $15,412,000 this week, against $21,171,000 last week, and $16,351,000 in the week last year. Canadian business failures during 1894, as reported to Bradstreet's, aggregate 1861, against 1706 last year; total liabilities amounting to $17,724,000 this year, and $14,762,000 last year, with customary ratios of assets.

There is a moderate increase in the number of failures in the province of Ontario, but a falling off in total liabilities; a greater relative increase in the number of failures in the province of Quebec, with a sharp gain in volume of liabilities. New Brunswick reports a moderate increase in the number of failures, with nearly double the amount of liabilities in 1893, and Nova Scotia a moderate decrease and a heavy decline in volume of liabilities, the like being true with reference to Prince Edward Island.

In Manitoba there is one less failure than the year before, though with a slightly increased volume of liabilities. Failures in the northwest territory dropped more than one-half this year, and liabilities still further. There is also a smaller number of failures reported from British Columbia, but liabilities have increased.

There are 22 failures reported from Newfoundland, against 15 the year before, with liabilities of $6,250,000 this year, against $627,000 last year. The situation in Newfoundland appears to be one of suspended animation rather than general commercial or financial failure, which will account for the comparatively few commercial deaths reported in spite of the business crisis.

Quiet at Hawaii.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Mr. Hastings received advices from Honolulu yesterday confirmatory of the latest press advices from that country, to the effect that the political situation is quieter and that the recent so-called monarchial conspiracy was a matter of small importance.

Hub's Investigation Closed.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—The investigation of public institutions, conducted by the committee of the full board of aldermen, during the past nine months, closed yesterday. Fifty-eight sessions have been held, since the hearing began, March 15. Three hours time was allowed for each side in the arguments.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

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MADELINE POLLARD PENITENT

SHE IS TO LIVE AWAY THE STAIN.

That Has Besmirched Her Name and Character—She Issues a Statement Indicating Her Sorrow at Her Failure in Life.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Statements have been made that Miss Madeline Pollard designed going upon the stage as an actress, and that in person or by an attorney she purposed following Congressman Breckinridge about the country to levy upon the proceeds of his lecture tour just begun. Prompted by these statements, Miss Pollard has requested the press to give publicity to the following:

"I have not wanted to make a statement of any kind. I could not see that what I did was of interest to people generally. So I have tried to bear all that has been said of me as part of punishment for my failure as a woman. I am not going before the world in any capacity. I have no message to carry; I have asked a question with my life; it cannot be answered in a day.

"I have no theatrical friends. I have never been situated so I could have. Their world is far removed from mine. I live in a private house with my brother and southern friends.

"I do not believe there is a man or woman on earth who thinks there is money compensation for sorrow. I am sorry, for any reason whatsoever, I am accused of realizing so little the enormous sorrow that overshadows my life.

"I am not under an assumed name. I have not been to any place where I was not well known. I do not mean to be while I live. I have stained my dear father's spotless name, and with the Christ power, I shall fight from under the stain."

In Prohibition Portland.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 29.—B. I. Thompson, proprietor of the Dominion House, who was in the municipal court on a search and seizure process, was discharged. A case of lager beer was found at the hotel, but Proprietor Thompson testified that it belonged to some of his boarders. Three boarders who were summoned as witnesses claimed that they had made a practice of pooling in and buying cases of beer, a record being kept of the consumption of each case and each man paying toward the next case a share proportionate to what he drank. Judge Gould threatened to have actions for liquor selling brought against all three of the boarders.

No Place For Americans.

HARTFORD, Dec. 29.—An Armenian of this city has received a letter from a Turkish officer, who says: "Many of the officers in the army near Sassoun saw no reason for destroying so many people. The sultan not only tortures Christian people, but his soldiers and officers as well. I advise you to stay away, because the sultan is determined to rob and imprison every American citizen."

Stalled on a Crossing.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 29.—A Boston express was brought to a stop within 12 feet of a stalled trolley car at the East Main street crossing yesterday afternoon. In some way the current had been shut off when the trolley car was nearing the steam railroad tracks, and its momentum was just sufficient to bring it directly on the tracks.

Bullet Through His Head.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Henry G. Lewis of St. Louis, aged 20, a student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head. The cause of the act is unknown. He was well up in his studies, and was considered a man of exemplary habits. His father is a dry goods merchant of St. Louis.

Rhody's New Armory.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 29.—Contractor McCormick yesterday turned over the state armory to the state, the keys being received by Governor Brown in person. The building cost $24,000. It was erected for the naval reserves of Newport and company B, Second regiment, stationed here. There were no exercises.

Considering Immigration.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Commissioners of immigration of some of the leading ports of the United States met yesterday at Ellis island for a general discussion of matters pertaining to their departments. An effort will also be made to have a uniformity of rules to govern all immigration departments in this country.

Beyond Our Jurisdiction.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—United States Minister Denby has made no demand on the Chinese government for satisfaction for the killing of the two Japanese student spies, as reported, nor is the government in a position to make any such demand, which is usually construed to mean an indemnity.

Got the Right Man.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The agent general in London of Cape Colony states that there is no doubt as to the identity of Wilhelm A. Lippert, who was recently arrested in Cincinnati and brought to New York, preliminary to his extradition to England on the charge of obtaining $843,675 by forgery.

Youthful Burglars Captured.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Jonas Harvey, aged 19, of Massabesic, N. H., and Frederick Barton, aged 20, of this city, were arrested yesterday as fugitives from justice. They are wanted for various burglaries committed at Candia and Raymond, N. H.

No Change In Price of Coal.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Anthracite coal sales agents yesterday decided to limit their production in January to 45 per cent of their capacity, which will be a production of 2,303,000 tons. No change has been made in prices.

But Slightly Damaged.

HALIFAX, Dec. 29.—During the gale which raged along the coast Thursday the Gloucester (Mass.) schooner James H. Steele went ashore near Liverpool. She was afterward got off slightly damaged.

Woolen Mill Burned.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 29.—Fire at Long Hill destroyed the Ratcliffe woolen mills. New machinery worth $40,000 was recently put in. The fire started from overheated machinery.

Battling For Life.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A bulletin states that Lord Randolph Churchill passed a quiet day yesterday. He continues to take a little nourishment and his strength is fairly maintained.

RADIGIAN'S "WRONGS"

May Have Been Brought About by His Own Unwarranted Doings.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The state department is under no apprehension as to results of threatened congressional inquiry into the case of Radigian, who has complained through the press of his treatment at the hands of United States Minister Terrell at Constantinople.

It is pointed out that the man's own statement put him in a most equivocal position. He says that he took out a Russian passport at Batoum in order to travel in Turkey. To do so, he must have taken oath that he was a Russian citizen, yet it was a necessary preliminary to his taking out a United States passport to swear that he was an American citizen. Under these circumstances it is held that Minister Terrell's hesitancy to issue a passport was thoroughly justified.

Aside from this consideration, however, the Turkish government has refused persistently to admit the right of Turkish subjects to expatriate themselves to return to Turkey, and as our own supreme court in the case of the Chinese exclusion law has affirmed the absolute right of a nation to exclude any class of persons from its territory, the United States would seem to have little ground upon which to protest.

No Trouble With Austria.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Mr. von Hengelmuller, the new Austrian minister, was seen concerning reports that Austria would follow the course of Germany, first in protesting against the American tariff on sugars, and then in retaliating against the products of this country. Mr. Hengelmuller said Austria had not taken any steps on the American tariff. The relations with the United States had always been most cordial, and they would remain so by a satisfactory arrangement of the sugar duties.

Mrs. Young's Case.

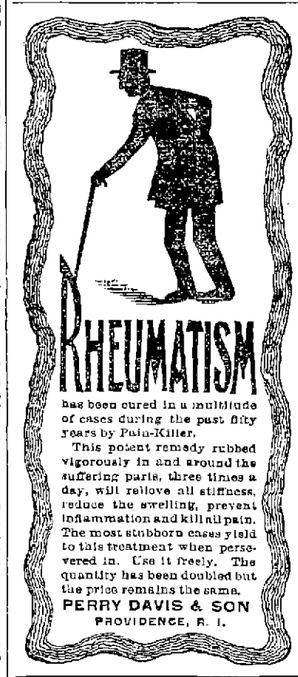
SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Dec. 29.—C. H. Young of Brooklyn came to this city yesterday and took back his wife, who surrendered herself Thursday to the police here. Young corroborated the story of his wife that she had been intimate with a dry goods merchant of Brooklyn, and had extorted a large sum of money from him. This money, the woman claims, she threw overboard from a Sound steamboat, but the police think that she has it still in her possession.

Two Women Suffocated.

NORWICH, Conn., Dec. 29.—In the town of Sprague, Miss Mary Brennan, aged 70, while smoking in bed, set the clothes on fire. She called Mrs. Michael Brennan, who was 50 years of age, and partially blind, to help put out the fire. On entering the room, Mrs. Brennan closed the door, then filled with dense smoke, and although the women succeeded in extinguishing the fire, they were both suffocated.

Rhode Island's Gambling Evil.

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 29.—A war of public opinion against the present pool law has swept over the state, and there is little doubt but that it will be repealed as soon as the legislature meets. Senator Merrill of Cranston stated yesterday that he would introduce the repeal bill and would request that it be passed without reference to committee.



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ON CIVIL SERVICE

Do the Rules Affect Secy. Richardson?

OPINION OF C. S. COMMISSIONER C. H. CONANT, ESQ.

An Analagous Case Exempt in Lawrence.

There is a good deal of speculation on various matters relative to the probable action of the new city government, its organization or failure to organize and the subsequent course to be followed by either party.

Democrats say that there is disunion in the republican ranks, republicans say the disunion is all on the democratic side, and thus it goes. It will be impossible to tell precisely how matters stand until the time comes.

The position of secretary of the overseers of the poor is the subject of considerable talk just now, not that there is any concerted oppositition to Mr. Richardson, but because there is a great difference of opinion as to whether the office comes under the civil service rules. A SUN representative called upon Charles H. Conant to ascertain his opinion on the question.

He at once said that the present occupant and his predecessors were appointed under civil service rules and he was not aware of any change that would remove the office from the operation of the civil service law.

When asked whether the new method of electing the overseers would change the status of the office he turned to the act providing for election of overseers by the people. Chap. 190, acts of 1894.

This act provides that the overseers of the poor may appoint a secretary and superintendent and such other subordinate officers as the ordinances of the city may require and may define the duties of said officers provided however that the duty of said officers be established by the city council.

Mr. Conant was disposed at first to say that this changed the situation but the point turned on the phrase "may appoint" as this means also "may not appoint".

He then turned to the civil service law, acts of 1893 chap. 95, which enumerates the officers exempt from civil service rules as follows:

"Judicial officers, and officers elected by the people, or a city council, or whose appointment is subject to confirmation by the executive council of the commonwealth, or the city council of any city, &c., &c., heads of any principal departments of the commonwealth or of a city, &c.

This law would not exempt Mr. Richardson unless he should be considered the head of the department but the mayor being chairman of the board is considered the head.

On the whole Mr. Conant saw nothing to change his opinion that the position of secretary of the overseers of the poor is under the operation of civil service rules.

In contradiction of this view a gentleman who is interested in the matter stated that the secretary of the overseers of the poor at Lawrence is not affected by civil service rules although appointed precisely as was Mr. Richardson. The civil service board stated that the office was under the civil service but when the overseers took the matter in hand, the claims of the board were found to be untenable.

Besides, the new board of overseers may declare the secretary the head of the department and thus remove all question on the matter.

Mr. Richardson made application under civil service rules but being a veteran was not required to take an examination. His predecessors were similarly appointed. Altogether the decision of the question is largely a matter of construction of the law and will have to be decided by the city solicitor in conjunction with the civil service commissioners.

Licensed to Be Married.

The following intentions were recorded at the city clerk's office today:

Henry W. Clough, 27, to Sarah Morrill, 24.

Edward Morrill, 21, to Louise Albert, 24.

Adam Kovona, 26, to Catherine Stys, 20.

Lecture on the Catholic Church.

In the Sacred Heart bazaar course tomorrow evening, Philip J. Farley, Esq., will lecture in the school on "The Catholic church in New England."

It Means Less Pay.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—The 3500 employes in the packing house of Armour & Co. were informed yesterday that hereafter eight hours will constitute a day's work. The plant has been running 10 hours up to this time. The strong competition between the packers has greatly reduced the profits to be obtained from the business.

CHRISTMAS.

Presents of money to England, Ireland and Scotland for Christmas at the Money Order Office, 324 Market Street corner of Worthen, payable at any bank in England, Ireland, and Scotland.

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OUR CITY SOLONS

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WINDY WERE THE DEBATES ON TWO MATTERS.

That Horse Sale Explained by Alderman Lovejoy.

What was probably the last business meeting of the common council of 1894 was held last evening and it was the quietest of the year of eventful meetings. From appearances about city hall we would think that the entire building was cast in gloom, regretting the departure of that unique combination of democrats, republicans and cuckoos.

The outside of the building even manifested this appearance, for at 8 o'clock, the appointed hour of meeting, the light in the clock tower was not to be seen, neither were the lights at the entrance visible. Inside the building, the same unwonted darkness prevailed until City Messenger Cahill and Janitor McGuirk had lighted the candle lights.

There were no spectators in the galleries and in the council chamber there was no light or Sparks. The light, however, came up shortly after eight o'clock and thus there was no need of Sparks, and the meeting was called without him.

Among the spectators on the floor were many of the councilmen-elect, principally republicans, including Mons. Rivet and Mr. Dickson.

During the time preceding the calling together of the members, the boy detective nosed around the councilmen who were putting down names for a jury list.

At quarter to nine the meeting was called by Clerk Simonds, and Councilman O'Connor was chosen temporary chairman.

Seventeen members were present.

There was a pile of business to be transacted and it began with a ballot for commissioner of the sinking fund.

Peter F. Conaton had 9 votes, E. M. Tuckahad 6, and Mr. Conaton was elected in concurrence.

Chairman O'Connor then read reports and petitions until his voice was well nigh lost.

Leave was given to withdraw by the committee on streets on the petitions of John Ryan and Tremont & Suffolk corporation, and the reports were accepted.

The following reports of the street committee with resolutions accompanying were allowed to remain seven days in the city clerk's office: On petition of Maurice Kearney that Griffin street may be accepted; of Dominick J. Duffy that Lawrence street court be laid out and accepted; of Joseph S. Grush, for a sidewalk of edgestones on Hale street; of A. Jacobs that Congress street be straightened; of Samuel Tice that Cosgrove street be laid out and accepted; of George L. Adams, for a sidewalk on June street; of W. H. Hawes for concrete sidewalk on Canton street; of William H. Anderson, that Midland street be accepted and graded.

A recess of 10 minutes was here taken to enable the committee on salaries to meet.

After a lengthy debate over the removal of a tree from in front of the residence of N. J. Wier, the matter was referred to the highway commissioner.

The salary bill came down from the aldermen and there were more debates. The aldermanic amendment to the committee report was non-concurred in and so declared, thus making the pay of the liquor inspectors $1200 per year against $3 a day now. The council also concurred in raising the pay of two call firemen $75 per year each, from $225 to $300 per year. The rest of the salary resolution was concurred in and the bill goes back to the board as amended on the liquor inspectors.

THE ALDERMEN.

The board of aldermen met in special session last evening and disposed of considerable business. There was a little tilt over the petition of the Lowell & Suburban railroad for final action on its petition for a location on East Merrimack and Nesmith streets.

The recommendation of the committee on streets to define the lines on Gorham street also occasioned some debate.

City Solicitor Hogan was present and advised the aldermen upon several questions which came up during the evening.

The following petitions were referred: of Adams and Hallowell to hold a sacred concert in Huntington hall, January 6; of H. C. Church for license for the Bijou theatre.

Several petitions for auctioneer and minor licenses were referred.

E. C. Gibson petitioned for permission to set up and run a stationary steam engine on East Bleachery street and a hearing was held, but as Mr. Gibson was not present nor Alderman Dunlap, who was appointed a committee to investigate, the matter was postponed till later in the evening.

A resolution was adopted to abate the sewer assessment on Foster, Princeton, Sayles and Westford streets.

The Lowell & Suburban road asked for final action on its petition for relocation of tracks on East Merrimack street. Alderman Johnson introduced a resolution granting locations on East Merrimack and Nesmith streets.

Alderman Westall said the aldermen in committee had considered this matter and acted adversely upon it which was equivalent to granting leave to withdraw.

Alderman S. J. Johnson said the matter had been disposed of in conference, but had never been acted upon in open board. He favored the petition in conference, and he is in favor of it now.

Alderman Westall opposed it in the conference because residents in that vicinity are opposed to it, as the street is not sufficiently wide to admit of another track.

The mayor said he believed a hearing should be given to allow the public to express its opinion pro. and con. The public has rights as well as corporations.

Alderman Lovejoy favored the proposition to give the railroad two tracks on Nesmith street, but he wanted the same restrictions imposed as were put on the First street location. If it was wise to place restrictions on the First street location it is certainly advisable to place them on the Nesmith street location. He amended the resolution so that the same restrictions imposed upon the First street location be also placed upon the Nesmith street location. The amendment passed.

Then Alderman Lovejoy said that in order to make matters clearer he thought it advisable to postpone action till the next meeting. He withdrew his amendment and offered a motion to have the restrictions prepared by a committee of three and the city solicitor.

The motion passed and Alderman Lovejoy, Westall and Bagley were appointed on the committee.

Alderman Westall then moved that a hearing be granted on the petition next Tuesday evening.

The committee on streets recommended that the lines of Gorham street be defined as petitioned for, and a resolution to that effect was introduced. But City Solicitor Hogan to whom the matter was referred, sent a communication stating that the city has no right to define the lines. It must be done by the county commissioners. The city has the power to widen the street but not define the lines.

Alderman Lovejoy inquired if defining the lines did not practically mean to widen the street. If that is so why cannot the city go ahead and do the work. The work of widening the street can be done cheaper now than next year.

Solicitor Hogan said the question under consideration had received considerable attention and has been a matter of considerable comment. If the petitioners desired to widen the street, they should have so petitioned, and not asked to have the lines defined. It seems that should land be taken under the conditions of the petition, those injured could appeal to the courts and should they be sustained the work would be stopped. He believed the petitioners if they desired to have the street so widened should so petition, and a public hearing be ordered by the council.

The resolution to define the lines was then defeated.

A recess of ten minutes was taken to allow the aldermanic members of the committee on salaries a chance to confer with the councilmanic members of the committee.

The report of the committee on salaries was then taken up, and Mayor Pickman stated that during the year he deemed it advisable to engage a veterinary surgeon to assist Major Allen in his duties, as cattle commissioner, and had paid him from the reserved fund.

After the conference the board re-assembled and the report of the committee was taken up. It provided for the payment of $1200 per annum to the liquor inspectors; also recommended $1500 for the inspector of milk and vinegar, and the payment of $4 per day to the first assistant engineer of the fire department when acting as chief.

The increase for the liquor inspectors was opposed by Alderman S. J. Johnson, who knew of no reason for such action. He thought the office of liquor inspector should be abolished and the work done by patrolmen. He formed his opinion from his two years' experience on the police and license committee. He therefore moved to amend the report so that the pay of liquor inspectors be settled at $3 per day.

Alderman Lovejoy favored the report and said that since the meeting of the committee he had inquired into the work of the inspectors and was satisfied that they deserved the increase. He was shown a double barreled shotgun that one of the inspectors ran against while making a raid.

Alderman Westall looked at the matter the same as Alderman Johnson. The amendment then passed 6 to 2, Dickinson and Lovejoy in the negative.

Alderman Bagley offered an amendment to increase the salary of the two call foremen of the fire department to $300 per year.

Mayor Pickman cautioned the aldermen to go slow in raising salaries, and assured them they would not court popular favor by such action. But despite his warning the amendment was carried 5 to 3.

Alderman Westall moved to strike out $4 per day extra for the first assistant engineer, while acting as chief. The motion was lost.

The salary of the milk inspector was fixed at $1500. The clause calling for the appointment of a cattle inspector at $500 per annum was then taken up and passed. The salary bill was then adopted.

Explains That Horse Sale.

Mayor Pickman then called up the horse sale that has caused so much talk during the past week, and after telling the board he had engaged an expert to investigate into the matter, he called on Alderman Lovejoy for an explanation. Alderman Lovejoy said that according to custom, Supt. Crowley reported the number of horses in the stable which it would be unprofitable to quarter during the winter, and so the committee decided to sell them. On the afternoon of the sale, Mr. Hanson was down town when we telephoned for him, but returned shortly and came over to the stable. Charles Clapp was seen but said he could not handle the horses. The speaker had not seen the horses till he arrived and he was surprised at the lot. The only sound one in the lot was an animal over 20 years old. It would have been better had six of them been turned over to the Humane society. He believed no one beside Mr. Hanson could get rid of the horses. He could dispose of them to the Brown Lumber Co., who would work them in the New Hampshire woods. If Mr. Hanson makes $10 each on the horses he will be lucky. It costs him about $9 per day to keep the horses. He has already sold one for $6 and offered a choice of any one in the lot for $30.

Alderman Stanley said he handles about 30 horses, and each year he has to get rid of a certain number. Once he sent some horses to Conant's auction and it cost him $7 to get them back, for no one bid on them, and he had to pay the auctioneers' fees. If some of the newspaper men saw these horses they would promptly say they were worth $1000.

The mayor asked the alderman what he thought the animals were worth.

The alderman refused to set a price, but said they were such as in his own business he would give away. Most of them if sent into the woods for lumber work would die before spring.

The board then adjourned.

PERSONAL.

The engagement is announced of Mr. George H. Stevens to Miss Georgianna R. Thomson.

C. M. Dickey and Mrs. Dickey, Hon. J. C. Burke and Mrs. Burke, and Capt. L. A. Folsom have gone to New York for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bradley will observe the 40th anniversary of their wedding on New Year's night, at their home, 485 Westford street.

Miss Stevens of 60 Kirk street will be at home on the evening of Tuesday, January 1, to receive friends to meet Miss Kempton of Rhode Island and Miss Moore of Walpole. No cards.

The Children's Christmas Party.

The children of the Unitarian church held their annual Christmas tree party yesterday afternoon. The tree was loaded with toys and presents for everybody. Santa Claus was present much to the delight of the little ones. After the distribution of presents refreshments were served.

The "Pats" Won Again.

At the armory last night an exciting basket ball game was played between the Phalanx and Putnam Guards resulting in a victory for the latter 8 to 5 after a very exciting game.

Green will close out his holiday goods in watches, jewelry and silverware at sacrifice prices, and gives extra trades in pianos, organs and sewing machines. Green's, 88 Merrimack street.

SAVINGS DEPOSITS.

Interest Begins Monthly.

Interest begins January 1st in the Savings Department of the Traders' National Bank of this city on money deposited before 4 o'clock P. M., Thursday, January 3rd. Rate of interest 4 per cent per annum compounding semi-annually. This bank is open continuously from 8 A. M. to 4 P. M. and on Saturdays from 8 A. M. to 1 P. M. and Saturday evenings from 7 to 9 o'clock.

PHILADELPHIA'S TURN.

Residents of the Quaker City Denounce the Atrocities by Turks.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29.—A largely attended mass meeting was held in Association hall last night to protest against the Turkish atrocities practiced upon the Armenian Christians recently. The following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That by willfully and systematically abandoning her Christian subjects to the unbridled lust and unparalleled atrocities, the Turkish government demonstrates her own incapacity to govern without foreign interference.

Resolved, That we condemn the wholesale, cruel and barbarous massacre in the Sassoun district, and implore all civilized men for the sake of common humanity to encourage and aid us.

Resolved, That we earnestly appeal to the signatory powers of the Berlin treaty for sympathy and protection, and respectfully protest that the justice in reform vouchsafed by the various existing treaties affecting Armenia have never been secured to her, and we beg for them and for autonomy.

Resolved, That we earnestly appeal to our government to use its good offices and take measures consistent with our foreign policy in order that the signatory powers of the Berlin treaty may be induced to enforce, without further delay, the provision of the 61st article of said treaty.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the President of the United States with a request that the same be communicated through the department of state to the representatives of the signatory powers.

Dastardly Work of a Robber.

SANTA ROSA, Cal., Dec. 29.—The county treasury was robbed yesterday, and County Treasurer Stofer was left insensible in the vault to suffer death by the robber, who locked the door to the vault on him. The robbery occurred about 9 o'clock in the morning, but was not discovered until about 5 o'clock in the afternoon. All this time Mr. Stofer lay on the floor of the vault, gasping for breath, fearing every conscious interval would be his last. Had it not been for the timely arrival of his wife, the only person in town who knew the combination, he would have been dead.

Icebound In China.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The little gunboat Petrel is icebound at New-Chwang, China, and has been laid up for the winter. Admiral Carpenter has sent a photograph of the vessel in the process of being encased in earth walls and roof. Near by is the British warship Firebrand, likewise encased in mud with a roof of heavy matting. The Petrel will be turned into a fortress.

Howgate's Plea.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Henry W. Howgate was arraigned yesterday on three of the indictments against him. His counsel prayed that the indictments be quashed, on the ground that United States grand juries considered statements made by persons not sworn as witnesses nor otherwise qualified to testify, and that no one of them had any personal knowledge of the matters considered.

Burned on the Rocks.

HALIFAX, Dec. 29. — Schooner Billy Brown, with a cargo of lumber, was lost during Thursday night's storm near La Have. She went on the rocks, caught fire and, with the cargo, was destroyed. The crew were saved.

Double Domestic Tragedy.

MILLINGTON, Mich., Dec. 29.—Matthew Palmer yesterday cut his wife's throat and then cut his own. Both are dead.

Psychological President.

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 29.—The psychological congress re-elected Professor James of Harvard president and Professor Sanford of Clark university secretary.

Action of Respect.

The democratic city committee last night appointed a delegation which attended the funeral of the late Richard B. Allen today and another committee which will report resolutions of respect. The delegation included Chairman Pearson; Senator P. J. Brady, M. J. Garvey and Philip Conners.

Taken By Subway Board.

The old Haymarket square railroad depot in Boston has been taken by the subway commission as a step in the rapid transit system plans.

A Great Sale!!!

Beginning on Tuesday morning we inaugurate a monster Stock-taking Clearance Sale of Winter Covering, consisting of Suits, Overcoats, Ulsters, Hosiery, Gloves, Underwear, Hats, Caps, and odd pairs of Pantaloons for Men, Youths, and Children of all ages and dimensions. Store opens at 9 o'clock on Tuesday morning. Sale will continue for two weeks. Watch Tuesday's papers.

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OPPOSITE CITY HALL.

5 O'CLOCK

THE LAWTON WILL CASE

ITS PRELIMINARY HEARING ON BEING CONTESTED HELD.

Relatives of the Late Patrick Lawton Want the First Will, Favoring St. Peter's Church, Disallowed.

The continued hearing in the contested will case of Patrick Lawton was called in the probate court yesterday morning. The previous hearing was held in Cambridge and at that time John H. Morrison, Esq., who appeared for the legatee, the two daughters of the late Patrick Lawton, presented his testimony. It was expected that the other side represented by Lawyers John C. Burke and James F. Corbett would offer its evidence yesterday but such was not the case. So far as the testimony at the first hearing is concerned, it goes to show that there are two wills involved and the legal contest is over the establishment of one or the other. In the first will the bulk of the late Mr. Lawton's money is left to St. Peter's church, while in the second his two daughters are named as his heirs.

Yesterday no opposition was offered to the motion to allow the second will, thus disallowing the first. The court granted the motion. But yesterday's action was a mere formality and as soon as the motion was allowed, Lawyers Burke and Corbett appealed their case to the Supreme Judicial court, without offering any testimony. The case may be called in the Supreme court next May.

The action of Messrs. Burke and Corbett was rather a surprise to the opposing counsel, who, it is said, expected that some testimony would be offered. So, as the matter stands now, Messrs. Burke and Corbett are in possession of the testimony of the legatees and their witnesses and have succeeded in keeping their side of the case a secret to the legatees, counsel.

The first will was made by Mr. Lawton on Friday, Aug. 17, and named Rev. Fr. McKenna as executor. It provides for the payment of $10 each to his daughters, Mary Green of Nashua and Bridget Tweed of this city, and $100 each to his grand daughters, Essie Green and Etta Tweed. To Bridget Nugent, who nursed him during his sickness, he bequeathed $50, and the remainder he left to Rev. Ronan for the use of the new St. Peter's church. His watch and chain he ordered given to Wm. Powers.

The following day the old man was removed from his place of residence to the home of his daughter, Bridget Tweed, and another will was drawn up on the same day and signed by the old man on Monday. By its provisions, all his personal property is left to his daughters Bridget Tweed and Mary Green, who are also appointed executrices of the will. He revokes and cancels all previous wills especially the one made Aug. 17, and requests the executrices to pay over to St. Peter's church such sum as they deem prudent. It is out of these two conflicting wills that the contest for possession of the money which amounts to about $1500, grows.

After the decision was rendered in the court, a Mail reporter called at St. Peter's parochial residence, stated he had the other side of the case and that he wanted what "St. Peter's church had to say."

He stated his errand to Rev. Fr. McKenna who referred him to Lawyer Corbett, who has charge of the case for Rev. Fr. Ronan.

The reporter apparently thought this would be too much trouble for him and he was determined to make the reverend gentleman talk.

With this object in view he adopted the timeworn method of hinting that he had something very damaging from the other side and that from a desire to be fair he wanted a statement from the representatives of St. Peter's church.

When he found his ruse did not work he became insulting and when Rev. Fr. McKenna cautioned him against publishing anything libellous he asked "do you threaten me?"

"I do not threaten you" said Fr. McKenna, "but I merely caution you."

"I don't understand you then" replied the reporter.

"I can't give you understanding" responded the clergyman.

"You insult me" said the reporter, "you are not a gentleman"

At this point Rev. Fr. McKenna pointed him to the door and ordered him to get out quickly, and he did so.

He did not succeed despite his insulting demeanor in getting either of the clergymen to tell their side of the case. It has not yet been told, but will be given in the Supreme court.

Some reporters think they have the right to compel a man to talk whether he is willing or not. When they use the threat of publishing something damaging or when they become insulting as in this case, they should be shown the door just as was the Mail man who tried to bulldoze Rev. Fr. McKenna.

THEATRICAL NEWS.

Those two ponderous actors, John C. Stewart, weight 360 pounds, and John Hart, 312 pounds, in their original creations of the Two Johns, opened an engagement at the Opera house this afternoon, and will repeat it this evening. If you want to see a funny show you should not miss this.

At Music Hall.

Tonight will be the last chance to see "A Brave Woman" at this family resort. Next Monday the company will appear in the "Boy Detective" with Thomas and Watson as the major and the judge.

Stoddard on the Passion Play.

It can be confidently looked forward to, that John L. Stoddard will reach his highest flights of eloquence and descriptive language in the Passion Play of Oberammergau, at the Opera house Monday night. In delivering this lecture at Chicago it is said that Mr. Stoddard moved his audience to tears so vivid was his descriptions.

Comical Dan Daly.

Those who remember Dan Daly in Upside Down, Vacation and other burlesques of a decade ago of course knew Dan Daly. Since he has been in comic opera he has cut a big swath. In Davy Jones as "Shea" he amused Lowell people. Next Tuesday he will be here in "After the Ball."

A Quiet Police Court.

There were only three drunks yet all three were sentenced.

Edward Roach went to jail for four months; Kate Faley to the workhouse for five months; and John H. Drohan will remain six months at the state farm.

The case of Isaac Gordon for assault resulted in a fine of $10 for the defendant.

The case of Georgiana Meehan and Eliza Virginia for larceny of an album was continued.

IN DEATH THEY HONORED HIM

IMPRESSIVE SERVICES OVER THE LATE RICHARD B. ALLEN.

Immaculate Conception Church Thronged With Friends of the Deceased—Great Display of Magnificent Floral Tributes Very Rev. Dr. Allen the Celebrant of Solemn Requiem Mass.

All that is mortal of ex-Representative Richard B. Allen was consigned to its final resting place in the Catholic cemetery this morning, with touching funeral services.

During the past two days hundreds of friends have called at the home of the deceased to take a last look of him who in life was a friend to everyone, and many were the expressions of profound regret heard on all sides. The remains reposed in a broadcloth casket, which was surrounded by an immense amount of costly floral tributes, beautiful marks of the esteem in which deceased was held.

The floral offerings included a pillow inscribed "Papa" from the children of the deceased; a reclining wreath inscribed "Brother" from Misses Lizzie and Katie Allen; reclining cross, inscribed "Uncle," from Miss Theresa Allen; bunch of cala lilies, from the Sheahan family; 36 pinks, representing age of deceased, from the Misses Cooney; standing cross, from Michael Gookin and family; pillow of roses, Hon. J. E. Drury and family; broken lyre, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Cluin; wreath, Nathan D. Pratt; crescent, star and bar, inscribed "Dear Friend," from Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Baxter; reclining anchor, inscribed "Friend," ex-Alderman George Tilton; vacant chair, Rep. Owen Donohue and family; standing wreath, Thomas J. Boyle and John Kinsela; wreath and scythe, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Dolan; standing anchor, 4 feet in height, inscribed "Dick," from Peter H. Donohue; crescent, inscribed "L. G. A.," from Lowell Grocers' association; spray of roses, George Bowers; standing crescent, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Emerson; cross, James Hearn; basket, Alice Flanders; wreath, Col. Carmichael; basket, Mr. and Mrs. William P. Foye; crescent, star and bar, W. J. Higgins; large cross, democratic city committee; spray of chrysanthemums, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Walker; large pillow, Court Middlesex, A. O. F. of A.; large wreath, P. Dempsey and family; an immense bank of ivy, four feet square, bordered with hyacinths, bearing five callas representing the number of members of the board with one drooping on a broken stem, from the Lowell water board; and a very beautiful gates ajar, surmounted by three doves, holding ribbons, opening gates of pinks, inscribed at base "Farewell Dick" from the employes of the water works and others.

The Church Services.

Shortly before nine o'clock this morning the funeral procession was formed at the residence on Nesmith street and proceeded to the Immaculate Conception church where the remains were borne tenderly down the center aisle and deposited on a catafalque at the altar rail by these bearers: John J. Cluin, Hugh McOsker, Robert J. Thomas, John E. Drury, Dr. William P. Lawler and Miles Brennan, close friends of the deceased.

A solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated by Very Rev. Dr. Allen, brother of the deceased, assisted by Rev. Fr. Joyce, O. M. I., deacon, Rev. Bernard J. Bradley of Mt. St. Mary's, Emmettsburg, Md., a relative, sub-deacon and Rev. Fr. McManus master of ceremonies. Within the sanctuary were Revs. Fr. O'Connell of Boston, Fr. Lyons of Manchester, and Frs. Wm. O'Brien, Ronan, Gleason, Shaw, Burke, Gilday, McAvinue, O. M. I., Dorgan, O. M. I., Costello and Murphy, while among the large congregation present were a large number of students from Mt. St. Mary's college of which deceased was a warm friend.

Rev. Fr. Dacey, O.M.I., presided at the organ, and as the casket was borne into the church rendered a funeral march. The church choir directed by Prof. P. P. Haggerty, rendered the Gregorian plain chant. At the offertory, Miss Mabel Ware sang feelingly the beautiful "Pie Jesu." The Libera was sung by the full choir, Prof. Haggerty sustained the solo parts. At the conclusion of mass Mr. T. F. Molloy rendered the touching hymn, "I love to hear my Saviour's voice," and while the funeral procession wended its way from the altar "Nearer my God to Thee" was rendered on the organ.

The funeral cortege which was one of the largest ever known in the city proceeded to the Catholic cemetery where when the last sad rites of the church had been read, all that was mortal of a true, upright and honest citizen was consigned to the grave.

FUNERAL SERVICES.

SOMES—The funeral of William E. Somes occurred yesterday afternoon from his late home, 107 East Merrimack street, services being conducted by Rev. R. A. Greene. A large delegation of Knights of Pythias was present and the bearers were members of the order. Interment was in the Edson cemetery.

MCLENNON—Rev. Robert Court conducted services over the remains of Mary K. McLennon at her late home, 41 Grand street, yesterday afternoon. The remains were sent to Berry, P. Q., for interment.

ALGER—The remains of the late E. A. Alger who died in Cambridge, arrived in this city yesterday and were interred in the Lowell cemetery.

FLEMINGS—John Flemings, aged 93 years, a former resident of this city, died Monday in Lawrence. The remains were interred in the Edson cemetery in this city.

RYAN—The funeral of the late Mrs. Annie Ryan took place from the family residence, 51 Kidder street. The remains were taken to St. Peter's church where a high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. Fr. McKenna. The choir directed by T. F. Molloy rendered Schmids' requiem mass. The pall bearers were Messrs. P. J. Maguire, Martin H. Maguire, John Connors of Fitchburg and James Eagan of West Fitchburg. After the service at the church the funeral cortege proceeded to the Catholic cemetery where the interment was made. Deceased was the wife of Patrick Ryan, and besides her husband leaves a father, mother, one sister and one child.

The Jeweler's Association.

J. D. Grant is president, C. W. Durant secretary, and John J. Cluin treasurer of the Middlesex County Jeweler's association.

A meeting of the retail jewelers of the state will be held in Boston, shortly, and an association will be formed. This association will seek legislation compelling all manufacturers to stamp upon every article the degree of its fineness, by karet marks

Cornered.

Yes, we have been cornered at the old stand for just 10 years this Xmas, but our present display of holiday goods beats all previous efforts. The U. S. Tea. Co., corner Central and Prescott streets.

LATEST

AN AWFUL SIGHT

Presented by a Holocaust in a Village.

DEATH WAS A VISITOR TO THAT CHRISTMAS TREE.

Forty-one Villagers Were Burned to Death.

By Associated Press to THE SUN.

PLAINTON, Oregon, Dec. 29.—A terrible holocaust is reported from Silver Lake, a village of 100 inhabitants, 150 miles from here. The details have just come in for this is the nearest telephone or telegraph station.

At a Christmas tree festival in a hall in the town on Christmas eve, nearly all the villagers had assembled. While the presents were being distributed by Santa Claus somebody to get a better view got up on a bench and in so doing knocked over a kerosene lamp. In the confusion the tree caught fire.

Women and children were trampled under foot in the mad rush of people to get out. There being no fire apparatus the entire building was burned together with 41 persons. Of the others 10 were badly, perhaps fatally burned and five otherwise hurt.

THE PRINCIPAL SPANKED HER

COURT UPHELD HIM IN HIS OLD-FASHIONED METHOD.

Warning For School Children Who Are Refractory—Court Remarked That Good Taste Was Lacking.

By Associated Press to THE SUN.

LYNN, Dec. 29.—Gardner Balch, principal of the Swampscott high school, was in court today for alleged assault on Mary Ferguson, a pupil, aged 12 years. It seems that the girl was sent to him for correction and she, refusing to hold out her hand for the ruler he laid her across the bench and administered the ruler in the old fashioned, fatherly way.

The court said that he must uphold the principal in his effort to maintain discipline but must question the good taste displayed. The principal was discharged.

Gigantic Elevator Burned.

By Associated Press To the SUN.

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 29.—The elevator of the Dayton & Michigan railroad was burned today; loss $550,000; insurance $350,000. Chris Dandelion was burned to death.

Water Tank Blown Down.

By Associated Press to THE SUN.

AMESBURY, Dec. 28.—The big water tank of the water company, at Salisbury beach was blown down in yesterday's gale and the crash was heard three miles. The tank had a capacity of 10,000 gallons.

Two Firemen Killed.

By Associated Press to THE SUN

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—By the collapse of a floor at 124 West 24th street, today, Fire Chief Breslin, and Fireman Rooney of Truck 12, were killed.

LOCAL NOTES.

The aldermen will hold another meeting next Tuesday evening in accordance with a call issued by Mayor Pickman.

The All-Massachusetts Bowling team made 2651 in a game last night, which is the top mark so far this season, but not a record.

Another Massachusetts corporation proposes to build a Southern cotton mill. It is the Whittier company of Lowell, and Georgia is its intended location. There is food for sober reflection here for the radical labor agitators of New England.—Journal.

Trouble Over an Attachment.

There was quite a scene on Middlesex street last night. Isaac Gordon keeps a jewelry store there and Constable Gately went up to serve a writ of attachment on the store for a New York firm.

When Mr. Gately made know his mission a disturbance ensued, it is said. The constable claims that Gordon immediately offered resistance to him in his work and was looking for trouble.

A large crowd had assembled in front of the store by this time and according to the constable, "Gordon was very mad." But Gately was there for business and meant to attain the object of his journey.

He succeeded in putting Gordon and his sister out of the store and then placed his keeper in charge.

The keeper is still there.

Good Luck to Justin.

Mr. Justin Edwards, for many years with the Talbot Chemical & Dyewood company, at the Middle street office has been admitted to the firm of Gilbert Bros., manufacturing chemists of 204 Purchase street, Boston, and he severed his Lowell connections today. Everyone will wish Mr. Edwards the best of success in his advancement. The firm of which he becomes a member has a factory at Newton Upper Falls.

A New Order.

The Home Benefit association was formed last night with 42 members in a lodge. The officers are as follows: Past president, Mrs. J. B. Trueworthy; president, A. J. Howe; vice president, Mrs. A. A. Howe; secretary, Geo. A. Hood; treasurer, V. G. Barnett; marshal, S. A. Pickering; chaplain, Mrs. M. H. Leighton; guard, Mrs. Abbie J. Hood; sentinel, Mrs. S. A. Pickering; trustees, Warren N. Roberts, A. B. Carll and Frank W. Cobb; representatives to supreme lodge, Mrs. J. B. Trueworthy and A. J. Howe.

The Local Newspaperdom.

Today's edition of the Citizen is the last of that paper as an afternoon daily. Beginning with the new year the Citizen will rise before the sun, except in midsummer. The latest bit of news in this line is the probability of a new republican afternoon daily. Its mission is as yet unknown.

When you get right down to warmth and wear, good looks, good tailoring, and good goods, there's never been such a strong combination of all these qualities, for so little money as in our all wool American Frieze Ulster for $10.

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We don't stop at $10, however, just as much better ulsters as you wish for up to $25.

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Central Street, Cor. Warren.

FROM OUR 6 O'CLOCK EXTRA Of Yesterday.

THE MAYOR WILL INVESTIGATE

DOES NOT BELIEVE THE HORSE SALE TO BE A SWINDLE.

Quite Convinced That Mr. Hanson Got a Big Bargain in Those Horses.

Mayor Pickman has begun inquiries regarding the sale of 18 city horses to C. H. Hanson and has an expert examining the horses. In an interview today he says that the evidence shows that, "while there might have been a margin of $50 or $75 if the horses had been sold at auction, there could have been no big steal. It seems that the horses were old and undesirable with two or three exceptions. Col. C. H. Allen has the best animal on trial. He has not paid for it, but I understand will give $75 if he keeps it. Mr. Hanson bought ten horses in the 'clearing out' sale last year. He says that he was sent for first this year, and that he did not want the horses. Of course the question arises, why were the horses kept by the city if they were in such a poor condition? The weak point in the sale is that there was no advertising of it, and no auction.

"I don't find that there was any deliberate fraud or cheating, but that it would have been wiser to have taken the world into the confidence of the sale, and thus given an opportunity to bid on the horses. It was probably an oversight, but I think it fair to have a full investigation when such a charge is made. On the charge of the city having been cheated I am still getting evidence. I am satisfied that the charge of collusion between Mr. Hanson and the committee is unfounded. I think that even the committee admits that there might have been a better way in which to sell the animals."

GO TO THE SOUTH.

Whittier Mill Will Have a Branch South of the Dixie Line.

The directors of the Whittier Cotton mills have decided to increase their capital stock and to enlarge their facilities for the manufacture of yarns, by building a mill in the south. In good business times they have never been able to supply all their customers without working overtime, and in contemplating an enlargment of their plant, they have become convinced by a study of southern conditions that their yarns can be manufactured there at a much reduced cost, a conclusion similar to that reached by the Massachusetts cotton mills, the Dwight Manufacturing company and other northern concerns.

All the yarns of the company will be made in the southern mill and shipped to the present mill in Lowell, which will be entirely devoted to the many special finishing processes used by this company. The business offices will still be located here, and all sales will be made as now direct from the northern mill, which will continue to be the headquarters of the Whittier Cotton mills.

MILL KINDLING 90c. A LOAD.—We sell Mill Kindling, thoroughly dry, for a dollar a load. We guarantee it to be the biggest load for the price in the city. Drop us a postal and the load is yours for 90c. Ed. Cogger & Co., Wood and Coal Dealers, 165 Church Street.

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Shall you buy any?

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Western Division.

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Sunday Trains.

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Sunday Trains.

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Trains by this division leave Lowell from Central street station.

Leave Boston from the new Union station, Causeway Street.

‡ Wednesdays and Saturdays only.

‡ From Middlesex St. station only.

THE COUNTRY will suffer if a good currency bill be not passed before congress adjourns.

THE CITY government of Lawrence is to wind up with a banquet, that of Lowell will close with a mock session as usual.

THE OLD plan of finding the murderer photographed in the eye of the victim has been often tried but never with success. It is a plausible myth.

WHAT KIND of a legacy will the present city government leave to its successor? A new bridge to build, plenty of loans to pay, and a high tax rate to reduce.

MUNICIPAL CORRUPTION is liable to exist under our very eyes, if we do not look under the surface. New York has made every citizen suspicious of secret wrong doing.

SOME OF the "doctors" who will go out of business with the taking effect of the new law will put out a shingle as dentists. They will have to be driven from that field also or they will tear the jaws off their unsuspecting victims.

THE BOARD of registrars is to petition for an increase of salary. With the increase in the number of voters and the additional precincts and especially on account of the change in numbers throughout the city the work of the registrars was more than double what it would be ordinarily. This is the ground on which the claim is based and it seems quite reasonable.

TODAY, THOSE who knew and respected Richard B. Allen in life, participated in the sad ceremonies at his grave. The floral tributes piled upon his bier expressed the sorrow at his death, the love and the tender sentiment that words can never speak. He was a man beloved and esteemed by all who knew him, a man admired for his rugged integrity in every station it was his lot to fill.

PROTECTING PUBLIC HEALTH.

The farmers of all the country around are up in arms against the tuberculin test and what it leads to.

The state authorities have inaugurated a crusade against this disease in cattle knowing the dangers to the public health resulting from the use of milk or beef from cattle affected with the disease.

A quarantine has been established. The work of using the tuberculin test has been commenced way down on the Cape and is being prosecuted by the state inspectors with assiduity. It will be two years however at the present rate of progress before all the cattle of the state have been examined. By that time the disease will undoubtedly have crept into the quarantine district and a new examination will be necessary.

In point of fact the banishment of tuberculosis will be far more difficult and perhaps as expensive as the crusade against the gypsy moth, the presence of which was but lightly felt in a very few places in the state.

Tuberculin is the poison of the bacilli of tuberculosis just as alcohol is the poison of germs produced in the fermentation of which alcohol is the product. When injected into a cow which is not affected by tuberculosis there is no bacilli to be destroyed and the test has no effect. But if the bacilli are there they succumb to the poison and the result is a derangement of the animal system which is easily noticeable. If the poison could kill the bacilli outright that would end the matter; but the animal would be killed first. The farmers claim that this test is unjust, that it leads to the condemnation of cows that are almost sound physically and that it is not reliable as a test. As it is but a dozen years since the tuberculin theory was first applied, it is possible that there may be some deception in its application. Dr. Koch was said to have discovered a cure for consumption on the same theory; but it did not prove effective. If that be so, the farmers claim that there may be an equal error of judgment in regard to tuberculin.

Whether this be true or not, the farmers want only the full value of the cattle killed under this tuberculosis crusade.

If they were paid the full market value, they would probably import all the old cows they could secure and would welcome the test. They would also like to have the privilege of appraising the cows thus killed by the state officials. It is difficult if not impossible to detect the presence of tuberculosis bacilli in milk and the bacilli in beef are destroyed by being heated to 167 degrees Fahrenheit. Any germs in milk, and there are usually about 40,000 in each drop, are destroyed by being heated to the same temperature, viz: 167 degrees F.

If milk were thus sterilized, it is probable that the death rate among children would be greatly reduced. Sterilized milk would also be a great benefit to the sick as it is difficult to get unsterilized milk that is entirely pure or safe to drink.

This is a matter to which Inspector Allen has given much attention. He has advised the boiling of water and the sterilization of milk before drinking, and if his advice were followed there would be fewer deaths and less work for undertakers.

The farmers are to appeal to the next legislature for a change in the law, but it is likely that their agitation will only have the effect of causing the law to be made more stringent in the interest of the public health.

THERE is a little arithmetical problem to be figured out in the New York investigation. It is this: If an officer gets three years for accepting a bribe of four baskets of oranges, how many years should a man receive for receiving $15,000 or for levying tribute annually for protection for wrongdoing? Let us see. That is a problem in simple proportion. It will be everything but simple to the culprits.

A POLICE inspector's position in New York was as good as a clach on a little gold mine. To get $6000 in perquisites yearly was certainly a boon to a man who had less than $2000 salary. Had an income tax been levied on such men, wonder how much of their incomes they would acknowledge.

MR. JOHN A. NICHOLS of this city is out again on a lecture tour, this time with a bran new illustrated lecture on the Slums of New York. He rivals Stoddard in catering to public taste and curiosity.

TO PLAY THE DEVIL.

A Story of the Days of the Miracle Plays of Long Ago.

Many a familiar phrase may be traced to the old miracle plays. "To play the devil" is one of them. Naturally the devil played a most prominent part in those old world dramas whereof the Oberammergau passion play is now almost the sole survival. And when these old plays gave way to the moralities his satanic majesty was felt to be far too important a personage to be dropped. The devil, too, could and did tear a passion to tatters. He was paid for it, but none too well paid if we may judge from a veteran pay sheet, where we read: "Paid to Herod, 8s. 4d.; item to Pilate, his wife, 9s.; item to the devil, 1s. 6d."

We know not how much guerdon was received by a certain John Adroyns, to whom it once fortuned to "play the dyvyll" at a certain market town in Suffolk when the seventh Henry ruled this realm. But even if he played gratis he had some fun for his pains, for as he trudged homeward after dusk in his devil's apparel he stumbled on the curate of his parish and two or three other unthrifts rabbit poaching. The poachers mistook him for the genuine article and took to their heels, leaving behind them a horse laden with conies. John Adroyns mounts the horse and rides off to inform the lord of the rabbit warren, thinking to be thanked for restoring the plunder. But first one servant and then the other, after a peep at him, runs away to tell the master of the house that the devil is at the door, sitting on a horse laden with souls, and "by likelihood he is come for your soul. Purpose ye to let him have your soule And if he had it I ween he would be gone."

On hearing these words from the fourth frightened servant the master called his chaplain and bade him get bell, book and candle and go with him to the door. To the door they went with as many servants as durst at their heels. And the chaplain bade the horseman in the name of the Holy Trinity tell his errand, whereupon John Adroyns made answer: "Fear not me, for I am a good devil. I am John Adroyns, your neighbor, that played the devil today in the play. I bring my master a dozen or two of his own conies and the horse of the thieves who for fear ran away." And so, knowing his voice, "they unspurred the door and let him in, and the aforesaid fear was turned to mirth and sport."—Macmillan's Magazine.

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Not Necessary.

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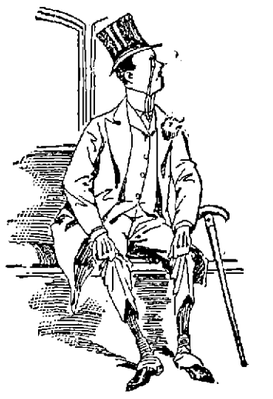

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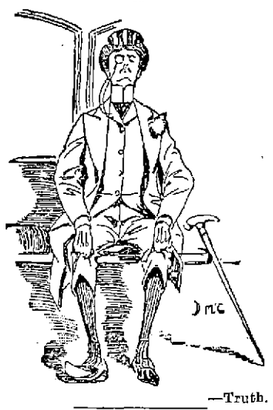

—Truth.

Backwoods Diplomacy.

A man who has just returned from a hunting trip in the forests of northern Maine vouches for the entire truth of the following story, as he had it direct from the sheriff:

A man who lives in the Mount Katahdin region went into the office of a justice of the peace a few days since and inquired about the penalty for hunting deer with dogs, and very particularly as to whether one-half the fine did not go to the informer.

The justice consulted the game laws and assured him that it did.

"Very well," said the man. "I want to complain of myself and settle."

The justice could not back out, and so gave the transgressor "a clean bill of health" upon payment of one-half of the penalty.

It seems that the man got wind of the fact that a game warden had got the "drop" on him on his deer poachings with his dogs and was only waiting an opportunity to arrest him; hence his shrewd bit of diplomacy.—Portland Argus.

For Economy.

The waiter had their orders.

"Dearest," he whispered, "do you really mean it when you say you will be mine?"

She was a bit impatient.

"Fitz Maurice," she replied, "did I not just this moment say plain stew when I might have said terrapin?"

That was certainly conclusive.—Detroit Tribune.

A Wrong Idea.

A well known actor had a horror of street music. On one occasion the "waits" played before his house at midnight and waited on him next morning. They were ushered into his room.

"Well," said the actor, "what do you want?"

"We played before your house last night," said the musicians.

"I heard you," was the reply.

"We have come for our little gratuity," said the melodious invaders.

"Why, bless me," said the sufferer, "I thought you came to apologize."—Tit-Bits.

Indefinite.

Clara—Mr. Sandstone wanted me to tell him your age last night.

Maud—But you didn't.

Clara—Not exactly. I only gave it to him in round numbers.—Life.

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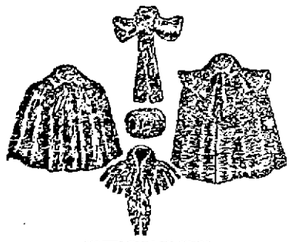
Many New and Novel Uses for Fur this Season—Charming Evening Costumes—Wide Moire Sash Ribbons Coming from Paris—Reign of the Princess Gown.

WINTER WEAR FOR WOMEN.

At the right is a heavy diagonal serge English tailor suit of gray with a double cape and high turn down collar. The skirt and cape have white silk embroidery. In the center is a prune brocaded satin gown with a three-quarter mantle of prune velvet trimmed with Alaska sable. At the left is a tailor suit of dark drab covert suiting.

We see but little really novel this week, with the exception of some odd fancies in madeup furs and a few new designs in cloaks and capes, but these are beautiful enough to make up for the lack of many other things. One quiet and elegant little cape of close Persian, which reached just below the waist, was shown me the other day. There was a cape collar over this, made so that the upper portion was perfectly flat, while the edges rounded up in a flare, like a bell. Above this was a turn-down collar, just meeting at the throat.

There was another, intended for a young lady, of mink fur, cut in plain circular shape, with a flat collar. This was very



NOVELTIES IN FURS.

full, so that it hung in heavy folds all around. These, however, though very pretty, were not special novelties like the victorine, made entirely of mink tails, with a roll collar as the only solid piece of fur about it. There were 57 tails used to make this victorine. There was another curiously shaped collarette of black fur. That part which encircled the neck extended down the front like two long cravat ends, and they were passed through a slide of fur that gave the appearance of being tied like a man's necktie. At the lower edge of this there was a sprung collar about 6 inches wide.

These two novelties were very dressy and pretty. There was a neckscarf of black Alaska sable about 4 inches wide through the middle portion. Toward the ends the fur widened to 6 inches and was cut slanting on the ends, and it finished off with two tails to each end. It crossed over and fastened with a hook and eye. There was a victorine of a yellow fur combined with black Persian. The upper portion and collar were of Persian, and all around the edges the yellow fur was set in with deep vandyke points. It was very showy.

Black Persian and astrakhan are combined with ermine and chinchilla in many little capes and collarettes, and they are very pretty. The Eton jacket of fur is quite a rage among those who have slim figures. The black Persian and moire astrakhan are prettier than any other for this purpose. The undyed Persian looks clumsy for some reason.

Furs are treated differently this year from any style ever before seen. Sealskin and other furs are made into bows and loops, plaited and puffed. I scarcely like to see them arranged in this way, but others may like them. The Eton jackets are made to button closely and are double or single breasted, as each lady may prefer. If they are double breasted, they have sharp revers and collar and are slightly open at the neck. The single breasted style buttons or closes invariably to the chin, and there is a choker collar. I saw one black Persian double breasted Eton with immense revers of sealskin. The sleeves were of the Persian, with small pointed cuffs of the sealskin. This was very rich and effective.

Almost every tailor made gown has a small line of fur around the skirt. Some have two or three. I admired one very much. The skirt was of a gray blue covert cloth, and around the bottom there were three very narrow bands of black Persian, and two a trifle wider were carried up the skirt to the waist line. With this was worn one of the Eton jackets such as I have been describing.

One would think that sealskin was a very difficult material to embroider, but it is possible, and the effect of such manipulation is extremely rich. I saw a princess shaped sealskin coat reaching quite to the ground. It was lapped to the left and fastened with three large buttons, one set exactly at the waist and one above and one below. There were large revers of the seal richly embroidered in shaded brown silks, for the most part in the dull bronze shades. This was raised high by means of some kind of padding under the stitches. The revers collar and cuffs were all decorated in this way. The sleeves were gigot and laid in thick plaits. The whole garment was beautiful. So was the sum it cost—namely, $1,850. But that does not seem so very much to those who are able to buy such superb garments. I saw a cape which reached but little below the waist that cost $7,500. It was of Russian sable and lined with imperial ermine. I wonder if the wearers take $7,500 worth of comfort out of such expensive things? I think I would like to try.

Some women would be quite as happy in a new winter cape that was sold last week. It was military form, but reached to below the knees and was lined with faille of a deep cardinal and interlined with the wadded cotton flannel now used for such purposes in place of the quilted silk used before. This cape was made of heavy ottoman silk, and all around the edge there was an applique of sealskin cut out in scallops. There was an application of fancy black soutache, with picot edges set on as a heading and forming triple loops. This trimming went all around, up the front and around the neck. The collar was of sealskin, and the fur along the fronts was made considerably deeper than that on the bottom.

It is one of the curiosities of fashionable life that, while the warmest furs and thickest dresses are in season, the thinnest and flimsiest of lace and other airy fabrics are seen, muffs and tippets for day, tulle and fans for evening. Here also one finds the devotees of fashion engaged in a wild search after the new. The choice of delicate and ethereal stuffs is a wide one this season. The black tulle and net covered with spangles and pendants make enchanting gowns, fit for fairy queens. There are pale pink, blue and maize crepe lisse gowns that are as light as summer clouds, and they float in the most graceful of curves. Crepe lisse and chiffon are both exquisitely beautiful for evening for the

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young. In fact, they are so lovely and they add so much of delicacy to the wearer that half the elderly women have taken to wearing one or the other in the form of lavish draperies on the waist and sleeves of their grand toilets. Even velvet waists are arranged with such garniture and have sleeves that are as fluffy and almost as voluminous as a ballet girl's skirts.

In my pilgrimages last week I found an odd gown which was kept hidden from public eye until the proper person should come in. And, by the way, the dressmakers have certain customers who always have the pick and choice of the imported gowns, and the dressmaker, knowing the taste and special requirements of each, keeps back one of the garments at her own risk until the customer comes in. This dress was lying in wait, so to speak, for the unwary.

It was of a pepper and salt green, if I may use that expression. The goods were thick and raised in a curious manner, and the general color was a muddy green. The sleeves were shirred in two places about 3 inches wide, which left three full puffs, the upper one being very full and large. The other two were smaller and closer. At the wrist there was a little ruffle formed by the shirring of the material. There were perhaps ten rows of threads of the shirring which formed the cuff part, and the others had three or four. The waist was gathered full on the shoulders, and from the bust down it was shirred closely in a manner which fitted it to the figure. There was a small point in front and back, and to define it there was a draped moire ribbon ending in two full rosettes, one at each side of the waist. On the right shoulder there was set a sharp little bow of green moire of a soft, mossy shade. The collar was a stock of draped velvet of a deep wine color, with two buckles of an opalescent metal. The skirt was full and flutted, but not too wide, and at the bottom there was let in, one inch above the edge, a narrow fold of the wine colored velvet not over an eighth of an inch wide. The whole gown was lined with old gold faille. The finish and exactness of every stitch of this gown were a delight to the eye. There was a double ruffle of old rose and moss green taffeta, both pinked, set in under the skirt, so that the two edges almost showed. I wonder who will get that dress. Whoever does will pay $175 for it. It is unique in a way, as so far I have never seen any of the material anywhere of which it is made. It is as soft as crepon, thick as cheviot and both rough and smooth at the same time. I don't believe that such material was ever woven, and imagine that it must be some freak of nature, and that it just "growed," like Topsy.

The new fans for this season are not very large nor too small, but are of exquisite workmanship. Some have inlaid ebony and ivory sticks, with delicate tracery of gold and flowers formed of mother of pearl or enamel. There are some feather fans, but not as many as there should be, as they are always dainty and graceful. The most of the others are made of gauze and crape. Sometimes one will be seen

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made of black lace drawn smoothly over white crepe lisse or white lace over some light colored silk. Some of the black fans are spangled, and I noticed one with a fringe of spangles which rattled sharply with every motion.

I was told in a private letter from Paris that there are to be worn many wide moire sash ribbons. They will not be tied nor looped, but made up into flat bows with long ends, and these will be fastened to the waist. The long ends are to be left free. The exact position where these bows are to be set is not fixed. They may be on one side or the other, directly in front, in the back, or set up at the last line, if so desired, but the bow and ends must be there. I should have said that all these bows are black.

This same letter says that the princess shape of dress will be a vogue in Paris at least and adds that many are now being privately shown as models where all the trimming and whole general plan of the middle age gowns are closely followed. They all have demitrains. Perhaps this is intended to follow the Gismonda costumes, and, if so, the designers make no mistake. I saw Fanny Davenport in her play of that name and was struck then by the wonderful grace and beauty of the costumes she wears. Two of them are en princesse, and they are superb. One was of a delicate old rose embroidered all over with flower-de-luce in blue pearl beads. The sleeves and corsage were trimmed with a network and fringe of the beads, and down the right side there was a cascade of the same.

The other dress was a white one cut princess, with loose draperies of lace covered with gold spangles hanging from the shoulders.

Darker and heavier goods than these, however, are also made in this style, and the princess gown is seen not seldom upon the streets now.

MATE LEROY.

Irish Trade.

The value of Irish exports last year was $1,022,235 and of imports $44,694,430.

Signs of the Weather.

The "old weather lore," founded on natural appearances, is the only true weather guide. Old sailors and shepherds, whose lives are continuously spent in the open air, have always been considered the most "weatherwise" from their daily observance of the appearances of the sky. So far as my own experience goes, I have observed that a dappled or "mackerel sky—never long dry," as the old proverb says—is a pretty sure forerunner of a speedy downfall. Light, fleecy morning clouds are another sign of rain. Another well known appearance is "Noah's ark," which is when the clouds represent the shape of the hulk of a ship, and if the ends point in the quarter of the prevailing wind it is a certain sign that rain will speedily follow.

A very pale blue evening sky and sickly flickering stars are an invariable sign that we shall have rain on the morrow. With regard to approaching storms, I have always found a very glittering, sunny day, having a peculiar glare, to be the precursor of a storm, and a hazy circle round the moon is an indication of stormy weather. We are told by scientific meteorologists that no one can tell the state of weather which we are to have for more than 48 hours, and this I firmly believe.—Yorkshire (England) Herald.

Prepared to Do His Duty.

The prosecuting attorney in a western Kansas village had been out with the boys the night before and taken a leading part in a free fight, in which one saloon had been cleaned out and considerable damage done to the glassware and fixtures in another.

In the pursuance of his regular duty as an official he appeared before the police magistrate the next morning, fully sobered and ready for business. In front of him was a stack of lawbooks, and he held in his hand a warrant for his own arrest on the charge of drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

"Your honor," he said, rising and addressing the court with emphasis and deliberation, "as village attorney I am here to prosecute this case, and as defendant," he added, jabbing a long bowie knife into the table and laying a huge navy revolver down by the side of it, "I am here, sir, to defend myself!"

"Enter a nolle pros., Mr. Ferguson," said the magistrate hastily.—Chicago Tribune.

The Age and the Name.

A Detroit young man, with a fancy for horseflesh and a knowledge of the same not commensurate therewith, some time ago went horse hunting on his own responsibility and picked up what he thought was a cracker jack. He was a Blue Grass boss and was as lively as a cricket, so lively, in fact, that the young man was sure he had a 5-year-old. Several days after the purchase, and he had been showing the horse around and crowing over him, he met the colored man who had had charge of him.

"By the way, Sam," he said, "what's the horse's name?"

"Lexin'ton, sah."

"Does he know it?"

"I spec' he do, sah," said Sam innocently; "he's had it fer 18 yeahs, sah."—Detroit Free Press.

A Needless Inquiry.

"What was the principal object of interest in America when you were there?"

The eminent British novelist looked at his questioner with chilling scorn and replied:

"I was, of course."—Washington Star.

CHINESE TREATY

Terms on Which Chinese Can Enter America.

THERE ARE IRON CLAD RULES TO BE OBSERVED.

Collectors of Ports Ordered to Report Weekly.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The regulations for the return to the United States of Chinese laborers, as provided for by the recent treaty between this country and China, have been completed by the secretary of the treasury. Under the regulations, a Chinese laborer who has resided and registered in the United States and departed therefrom, and who may have a lawful wife, child or parent in this country, or property therein of the value of $100, or debts of like amount due him, will be permitted to return, provided that before departing he deposits with the collector of customs of the district in which he resides, or with the nearest customs officer, a certificate of registration from the internal revenue collector, and a full description of his family, property or debts.

The papers must be accompanied by three photographs of the laborer, and the statement submitted by him, if found to be correct, will be certified by the collector of customs. The papers, with the photographs, are to be transmitted to the collector of customs of the port from which the Chinese person is to depart, and who is to return to the country

Via the Port of Departure.

The certified description of the Chinaman will be filed in the office of the collector at the port of exit as a means of identification.

The return to the United States must be within one year from the date of departure, unless sickness or other disability prevents, in which event the facts are required to be identified by the Chinese consul at the port from which the Chinese person may depart for the United States.

A certificate will be issued to the laborer on his departure which will not contain a description of the person to whom issued, but which will refer to the identification papers by number. This will obviate the sale or exchange of certificates and render the identification of the returning Chinese certain.

Collectors at ports of exit will be required to transmit to the treasury department weekly reports of Chinese leaving their respective ports, giving the name, local residence and occupation of such persons. The collectors will also be required to cancel all certificates of returning Chinese and to forward the same to the treasury, where records are to be kept on forms specially provided for the purpose.

The certificates to be issued will be especially numbered and issued by the department to collectors on requisition therefor, an account being kept in each instance, and collectors will be required to exercise unusual care in all matters pertaining to it.

Scare Spreads to Manchester.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 29.—The sentence of Joseph Labine, the Nashua saloon keeper, for violation of an injunction granted under the nuisance act, created consternation in this city, where some liquor dealers, among them some of the most prominent saloon keepers, have signed agreements similar to that signed by Labine, and who are, consequently, in the same legal status.

Frightened by State Troops.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Dec. 29.—The agitation over the death of Detective Murray, which threatened to find expression in violence, has quieted down. The state troops were called out to protect the jail where the negro murderer, Jabez Wiggins, is confined, and the display of military force had the effect of deterring the would-be lynchers from putting in an appearance.

Arbitrators' Decision Doesn't Count.

MASSILLON, O., Dec. 29.—The Massillon miners have refused to abide by the decision of the board of arbitration fixing the rate for mining at 60 cents a ton. The settlement was denounced as an outrage upon the miners. A joint meeting of operators and miners was favored, the mines to remain closed until after such a meeting is held.

Torpedoes For Cruisers.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 29.—Orders were received at the torpedo station yesterday to ship 12 Whitehead torpedoes for the cruiser Olympia, now at San Francisco. This is the largest outfit ever placed on board a man-of-war. The second largest consists of eight to be placed on the San Francisco when she comes here.

Sadly Afflicted.

COHALT, Conn., Dec. 29. — Nathaniel Bowles' family has been nearly exterminated by scarlet fever. The fourth child died last night. The father is believed to be dying and another child is very low. The Spencer family, in the same house, are all sick, two dangerously.

Cornwell Pleads Guilty.

BROCKTON, Mass., Dec. 29.—Benjamin Cornwell was arraigned yesterday for assault on Albert Pierce of Bridgewater on Christmas day with intent to kill. Cornwell pleaded guilty, and in default of bail for $3000 was committed to await the action of the grand jury.

To Be Consolidated.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 29.—James A. Bailey, Nate Salsbury and W. F. Cody have agreed to consolidate the Wild West and Forepaugh shows next season, with a capital of $1,000,000. The new partners will have no interest in the Barnum & Bailey show.

Not a Murder.

TORRINGTON, Conn., Dec. 29.—Coroner Higgins' finding in the case of Alexander Begez, who was found dying near the railroad track, with clean cut fractures in his head, was death by being struck by an engine. The theory of murder had been entertained.

An Incendiary's Work.

MOBILE, Dec. 29.—The Alba place on the Bay Shell road, one of the finest mansions in the south, was destroyed by fire last night. Loss, $60,000. A number of cattle, hogs, etc., were roasted to death. The fire was of incendiary origin.

Marlboro Finances.

MARLBORO, Mass., Dec. 29.—The city council adopted recommendations for appropriations for '95, the largest items being: Contingent fund, $5000; fire department, $10,500; police, $9000; poor department, $12,000; school, $50,000; street lights, $8000; water, $8000; highways, all, $82,925; salaries, $8930; sinking funds, $80,766.

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PROMPT DENIALS

From Inspector Williams in Face of Charges.

COMMISSIONER MARTIN MAKES A FEARLESS WITNESS.

He Hands His Bank Books to Lawyer Goff.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—When the Lexow committee began operations yesterday there seemed to be a lull in the interest manifested by the public during the previous sittings of the commission, but before Mr. Goff had got well under way the courtroom rapidly filled, and there was the usual throng of spectators.

Inspector Williams again faced Mr. Goff and resumed his hard, dry denials of ever having received any money or bribes of any description. He said that he never got a dollar from illegitimate sources outside of his salary while in charge of the "tenderloin" or any other precinct.

He told a peculiar story of a magnanimous brokerage firm from which he got some $5000 or $6000 made on speculations for which he was not required to put up a dollar. The firm was Fliess & Hey, 417 Broadway, and Fliess has been connected for a long time with the famous Hollywood Whisky company. Inspector Williams claimed to have only about $3000 in the banks, and he stated that he did not know how much his wife has at the present time.

He got very angry when questioned about his wife's diamonds, particularly a diamond cross, which Mr. Goff said came from a woman of ill-repute. "I never saw such a thing, and I brand the statement as a lie," he said.

Mr. Goff kept probing him about presents, and spoke of the grand jury of 1883 that made a presentment to the effect that Williams was manifestly unfitted for the police department. His ignorance of the gambling houses and their operations in the tenderloin was marvelous, but he had evidently made up his mind to deny everything and did so unflinchingly.

He claimed not to be worth more than $40,000 outside of his residence. Once, when he was hard pressed by Mr. Goff, the latter said: "You are losing your temper." Williams replied: "No, I am sitting on a cake of ice," but he

Did Not Look Very Cool.

His whole examination was a series of denials, and he insisted that any and everybody who accused him of wrongdoing lied. He faced the music bravely until the moment when Mr. Goff said: "That's all."

Captains Delaney and Ryan when put on the stand were so badly rattled that the committee and spectators alike were relieved when both men were excused.

One of the most clear and reserved witnesses who has yet testified turned up in the person of Police Commissioner James J. Martin. He answered every question put to him so frankly as to leave the impression of the truth of his statements. Unlike Commissioner Sheehan, he replied to all questions without the slightest hesitation, and very much unlike his brother commissioner, he produced his bankbooks, checks and checkbooks, and handed them to Mr. Goff.

He explained how difficult it was for the commissioners to find out men who accepted bribes, and said that they had to depend upon Superintendent Byrnes to ferret out the members of the force who accepted blackmail. He claimed that he never procured substantial information, but did not make an investigation, as it would interfere with his subordinate, Byrnes. He disclaimed all knowledge of any man paying for an appointment on the force, or for promotion, and declared that by no act of his had he contributed to the state of affairs now in existence in this department.

He told Senator Lexow and the other commissioners that, in his opinion, the police department could not be run by a single head, as there would be vastly too much for one man to attend to.

Today will be Mr. Goff's last day as examiner for the Lexow committee, but it is thought that the senators will come back again to renew their attacks on corruption before the new year is many weeks old.

Comstock Talks Some More.

Anthony Comstock gave out a statement yesterday which is in reality a fierce attack upon John W. Goff. He said among other things: "I procured positive evidence against O. D. Grey, in the shape of policy slips and other things, but Goff quashed the case and returned Grey his outfit."

Mr. Comstock intimated that Mr. Goff's motives in taking this step were not proper. Continuing, he said: "Goff employs thieves, cutthroats and reprobates, and promises them protection if they will perjure themselves, which they do. A reputable citizen may be accused of every crime, but he is not granted any rights.

"The action of the Lexow committee is barbarous. Stroop, who says he gave me $1000, is now under bail in Erie county, pending trial for selling green goods. I prosecuted him, yet he did not dare accuse me of taking money, because there is no truth in the charge."

Mr. Comstock said he was willing to appear before any body of reputable newspaper men or lawyers, but he did not expect justice from any body of investigators "who will accept testimony from confessed perjurers and guarantee them protection."

Closed as Free Ports.

COLON, Dec. 29.—Panama and Colon will on January next cease to be free ports. A decree has been issued, ordering that on and after that date a duty of 10 per cent ad valorem be collected on all imports.

Charged With Embezzlement.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—A. V. Chase, aged 36, of Worcester, was arrested in this city for the embezzlement of $3000 from W. H. Sawyer of Worcester in 1892. The prisoner was turned over to a Worcester officer.

Casualties Anticipated.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A heavy gale is prevailing in the Irish sea, and vessels are running for shelter. It is feared that some casualties will occur.

Settlement Endorsed.

BERLIN, Dec. 29.—Sixteen meetings of Socialists have ratified the agreement recently made for the settlement of the boycott against the breweries.

Looking For War?

RIO DE JANEIRO, Dec. 29.—The government has ordered $1,000,000 worth of war material from the Armstrongs.

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TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Newfoundland is in a pitiable plight financially.

New York weekly dry goods imports were $2,120,002.

John Dobbins of New York was killed by a train near Niantic, Conn.

Mary, wife of General Palmer, of Colorado Springs, died at Frant, Eng.

The mercury was 20 degrees below zero at St. Johnsbury, Vt., Thursday morning.

George Wilkinson, head of the Gorham Manufacturing company, Providence, is dead.

Eighteen of the employes of the United States Watch company at Waltham, Mass., were laid off.

The Brazilian minister of finance denies that the government intends to issue either cedulas or bank notes.

The residence and barn of Alden B. Briggs at Deerfield, Mass., valued at $12,000, were totally destroyed by fire.

Frank McGarrity, aged 11 years, of Somerville, Mass., fell off a train at Millville, and was run over and killed.

The state encampment of the New Hampshire department of the Grand Army will be held at Nashua, Feb. 5 and 6.

The city government of Gloucester, Mass., voted to put water meters in city buildings, owing to alleged excessive rates of water company.

The United States government demands reparation of China for the tortures inflicted on Japanese spies surrendered by an American cruiser.

A jury awarded $895 damages to Mrs. N. F. Hurley of Richmond, Me., against the town of Bowdoinham, for injuries received on defective culvert.

The annual reunion of the Framingham Academy and High School Alumni association took place in the Plymouth church at Framingham Centre, Mass.

Much uneasiness is manifested among the citizens of Haverhill, Mass., on account of a firebug or firebugs in that city, and in consequence of several mysterious fires.

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Merrimack Street—Basement.

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NAPIER TOILET GOODS.—On the counter facing the Merrimack street entrance we have displayed articles manufactured by the Napier Chemical Co., and can recommend them. "None better made at any price." Lavender Cream, for Chapped hands, wounds, sprains, eczema, etc.: two sizes, 12c. and 38c. a jar. Spirits of Camphor, refined, large size 33c. bottle. Glycerine and Rose Water, two sizes, 13c. and 33c. bottle. Rose Water 13c. bottle. Saponaceous Tooth Powder only 25c. a bottle. English Essence Jamaica 19c. a bottle. English Essence Peppermint 19c. a bottle.
Merrimack Street, Front.

HOSIERY AND UNDERWEAR.—During the rush of Christmas business we rather neglected advertising this department. There are a great many bargains to be had here. Call before it is too late, as the lots are small. Ladies' Black Fleeced Hose, double toe and heel, 25c. Ladies' Black Fleeced Hose, ribbed top, double sole, 38c. Ladies' Black Silk Fleeced Hose, double toe and heel, extra good, 50c. Ladies' Fleeced Hose in tan, slate, and Balbriggan, 25c. and 35c. Children's Black Fleeced Hose, plain and ribbed, 15c, 25c, 38c. Ladies' Black Cashmere Hose, double toe and heel, very elastic, 42c, 50c, 75c. Ladies' Jersey Vests and Pants, combed Egyptian cotton, fleeced, gusset arm, extra heavy, long or short sleeves, 50c.
Merrimack Street, Left Aisle.

Cook, Taylor & Co.,
231, 233, 235, 237 CENTRAL STREET.
GREAT CLEARANCE SALE
BEFORE STOCKTAKING.
Everything must be closed out immediately. The prices and values have not been considered in this great Mark-Down.
500 pairs White and Colored Blankets at 45c. a pair.
300 pairs White Woolen Blankets, worth $5, for $2.98 a pair.
250 pairs All-Wool Blankets, worth $8.50, for $5 a pair.
All our Handknit Woolen goods, such as Hoods, Fascinators, Leggings, Mittens, Shoulder Capes, Jackets and Skirts at greatly reduced prices.
1 Lot Men's Heavy Blue Ribbed Shirts, were $1.25, now 50c.
Men's Woolen Gloves, were 50c., now 25c. a pair.
All our Ladies', Gentlemen's and Children's Woolen Underwear and Hosiery at prices lower than ever.
1 Lot Red Table Damask, was 29c. a yard, now 19c. a yard.
1 Lot Red Table Damask, was 37½c. a yard, now 25c. a yard.
Misses' Woolen Dresses, sizes from 4 to 12 years, worth from $3.50 to $10 each, at from $1.50 to $4.99 each.
DRESS GOODS.
1 lot Parisian Novelties, were $10, $11, and $12.50, now $4.50, $5, and $6.

Lowell Opera House
Saturday, Dec. 29th.
Matinee at 2.30 P. M. Night at 8 P. M.
The first and best of all musical farce comedies,
—THE—
Two Johns
Presented by a superb company of Singers, Dancers, Musicians and Actors, headed by the pondorous and jolly favorites, JOHN C. STEWART (336 lbs.) and JOHN HART (312 lbs.) in their original creations of Peter and Phillip John after having been separated more than 7 years, are once more in harness and pulling double to please the public, and will be at the Opera House at Matinee and Night, Dec. 29 only.
Regular prices. Seats on sale Thursday.

Tuesday, January 1st.
A HAPPY NEW YEAR LAUGH WITH
COMEDIAN
Dan - Daly
Of the Famous DALY BROTHERS, and his Big Company of Fun Makers in J. W. Herbert's Bright Comedy,
AFTER THE BALL
Greatest hit of the season. Don't fail to hear Mr. Daly's latest song, entitled "Living Pictures." A laugh from start to finish.
Regular Prices. Seats on sale Saturday.

Music - Hall.
Thomas & Watson, Lessees and Managers.
Week Commencing Monday, Dec. 31st.
Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday,
The Boy Detective
J. Francis Kirke as Samuel Perry, Miss Ethel Tyler as Matilo Templeton, Harry R. Fowler as Butts, and THOMAS & WATSON as the Major and the Judge.
Special Dime Matinee Wednesday. Thursday
THE ∴ BOY ∴ SCOUT.
Prices 10, 20, and 30 Cents.

Farrell & Conaton
248 DUTTON ST.,
Practical Plumbers
AND
Sanitary Engineers.
Also Steam, Gas and Water Fitters. We also carry a large line of Gas Fixtures at lowest price.

Raspberry - Pies.
A 1 lb. package of whole Raspberries for only 10c.
"ECC SUBSTITUTE."
A 10c. package equivalent to 1 doz. eggs, a desirable article in cooking.
BEEF, IRON, AND WINE.
A large bottle only 25c. Price low to reduce stock at once.
Best Malt. Hazall $4.00, a price that should sell every barrel in the store in ten days.
F. M. BARNEY & CO.,
Wholesale and Retail Grocers,
415 MIDDLESEX ST., LOWELL, MASS.

WATSON BAKERY
Every evening at 5 o'clock Hot Tea Rolls and Cream Bread, also all kinds of Cake and Pastry. Only the best stock used in the manufacture of our goods. Parties supplied at short notice at
Nos. 24 to 30 CHARLES STREET.
Peter Watson, Prop.

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The "VICTOR" Boiler is for Heating.
The "WELSBACH" Burner is for Lighting.
—THE—
H. R. Barker M'f'g Co.

Sweet! Sweet!!
Old Fashioned, Open Kettle
New Orleans Molasses,
Finest ever seen. 60c. Per Gal.
We Sell Coal Drug.
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DANCING AND DEPORTMENT.
Monday evening, private class.
Tuesday evening, hall for rent.
Wednesday evening, advanced class and reception 7.30 to 11.
Wednesday afternoon, ladies class 3 to 5.
Thursday evening, advanced class (season tickets only) 8 to 10.30.
Friday evening, beginners class 7.45 to 10.
Friday afternoon, young people (advanced).
Saturday afternoon, children beginners 2 to 2.30.
Saturday afternoon, children advanced 3.30 to 5.
Saturday evening, intermediates 7.45 to 10.30.
Private lessons at any time not occupied by classes. Pupils received at any time. Office open from 9 a. m. to 10 p. m. every day.
Pianist, Mrs. Mary Darling; violinist, Emil Lavigueur; Mr. and Mr. Charles A. Lester, assistants; principal, D. C. Lester, G. M. D., 36 Prescott street. Take elevator.

LETTERHEADS and ENVELOPES of a fine quality printed at THE SUN office.

SUN WEATHER BULLETIN.

ALMANAC FOR SATURDAY, DEC. 29.

SUN [illegible] Sets 4:21 P. M.
MOON [illegible] Sets 1:33 A. M.
HIGH WATER TODAY [illegible] P. M.

Forecast for New England: Generally fair; warmer; variable winds, becoming southwest.

LOCAL NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexis Lamarre are visiting in Canada.

Blankets only 45 cents a pair at Cook, Taylor & Co.'s, Central street. Read their advertisement.

Now is the time to buy stoves and oil heaters cheap. The place is J. J. Gaynor & Co.'s, 35 Prescott street.

Bible lands and bible peoples, will be the subject of an address by Supt. Whitcomb to the Union Bible class to-day.

Edward W. Parker, for 12 years sexton of the Paige street church has been presented a fine gold headed cane.

The young ladies who are to tend tables at the Burke's fair, met last night and after taking over matters enjoyed a dance in the institute hall.

Don't cough from morning till night and from night till morning when you can buy a bottle of Ellingwood's Cough Balsam for a quarter that is sure to cure.

John McCullough, a lad of perhaps a dozen years, says he was knocked down and robbed of 22 cents on Jefferson street, yesterday afternoon, by a man.

"If it rain much" says an old proverb, "in the twelve days after Christmas, it will be a wet year." As it snowed after Christmas it is to be presumed that wet weather is imminent.

See what Lawler has to say in THE SUN today. He believes everybody should turn over a new leaf in keeping accounts, and better than that to start accounts in new books which he can furnish.

Additional prizes have been offered for the teams entered in the Lowell Reform club bowling tournament and the rivalry between the various teams, together with an additional incentive of an extra prize for the winning team, promises to make the games intensely interesting.

Whist Club Meeting.

The Lila whist club met with Joseph W. Stiles, of 21 Dutton street, last evening. C. M. Young and Mrs. C. H. Glidden won the prizes. The next meeting, Jan. 10th, will be at Mr. and Mrs. Sewall Potter's, 14 Wachusett street.

The Brussels Weavers.

The Brussels Weavers' union met in the Mathews hall last night for the semi-annual election which resulted as follows: Joseph Cox, president; James Flood, vice president; George Farrell, recording secretary; Patrick Kennedy, financial secretary; Arthur McFadden, treasurer; John Bevins, sergeant-at-arms. Board of trustees, Henry Blouen and Misses Watson and Powers. Executive committee, John B. McAloon, John Galvin, Joseph Coughlin, James Flood, John Purcell, Henry McCarthy, and Joseph Cox, ex-officio.

Among Society People.

Mrs. Julian Talbot of Nesmith street informally entertained in honor of Mrs. Richard H. Ewart of New York, yesterday afternoon.

The Young Married people gave one of their delightful social parties in Runel's hall last evening, with Mrs. G. H. Pillsbury and Mrs. Willis Farrington as matrons.

One of the swell New Year receptions will be that of Tuesday evening at Mr. E. L. White's on Nesmith street. Then for the younger set at the Misses Cushing on Mt. Washington street. On Wednesday evening Mrs. Paul R. George reopens the magnificent residence on Chelmsford street in honor of her neice, Mrs. Ethel Livingston.

WHERE'S STUART MURPHY?

Clerk McLaughlin is Pretty Certain of Keeping His Place at the State House.

It now looks as if Clerk Ed. McLaughlin of the house of representatives will keep his seat the coming year and will not be ousted for a republican.

The only previous contest there has been for the clerkship since Mr. McLaughlin was elected in 1882 was made in 1885, when Henry Moulton of Lowell was a candidate. Frederick T. Greenhalge was that year a member of the House, and he voted for Mr. McLaughlin against his own townsman. In the 50 votes, though, his friends were confident of his success before the vote was taken.

Today Gov. Greenhalge is as much interested in the re-election of Mr. McLaughlin as Representative Greenhalge was in 1885.

SOCIETY ELECTIONS.

Court Columbus, A. O. F., made choice of these officers last night: A. Bourbonniere, C. R; James Madden, S. C. R; Dennis Healey, fin. sec; James A. McCusker, rec. sec; Bryan McFadden, treasurer; Michael McHugh, S. W; John J. Owens, J. W; William Healey, S. B; J. J. Sullivan, J. B; Patrick Craig, trustee for three years; Dr. James B. O'Connor, physician. With the exception of the junior woodward, who was sick, and Mr. Owens elected in his stead, all the court officers were reelected.

Garfield Colony of Pilgrim Fathers held its election last night, as follows: Governor, Alonzo D. Hartford; lieutenant governor, Mrs. Aurelia Hall; secretary, Frank G. Randlett; collector, Miss Bertha Mitchell; treasurer, Edwin A. Howe; chaplain, W. A. Severance; sergeant at arms, Timothy Mahoney; deputy sergeant-at-arms, Mrs. Isabelle Storey; sentinel of inner gate, Miss Emma Cottrell; sentinel of outer gate, Mrs. Catherine Mitchell; delegates to supreme colony, Edwin A. Howe, George L. Hall and Hiram E. Hartford; trustees, George L. Hall, Timothy Mahoney and Frank G. Randlett.

CLEAN UP PREMISES.

Sweeping Interpretation of an Order Issued by the State Fire Marshal.

Under the provisions of the statute creating the office of state fire marshal, it is made one of the duties of that officer to order the removal of combustible material or the correction of inflammable conditions which may exist upon any premises.

A part of the duty of the marshal's aids is to inspect premises where such conditions are supposed to exist and order the correction of defects when found.

Of late an inspector has been at work in Newburyport, where the rates for insurance have just been raised, and as a result of the inspection many official notices are being sent to the owners or occupants of buildings calling their attention to conditions which need correcting.

This is for the interest, not only on the occupant, but of those whose property might be endangered by a fire on the neglected premises, and of the insurance companies, and, through them, to the public at large. Hence, as an insurance man says, the public has a right to demand that the inflammable conditions be removed.

Dr. Colwell DENTIST 81 MER'K ST.

Next time try Old Hundred.

Wall paper at 18 Church street.

Bargains in parlor stoves at O'Heirs.

T. C. Lee, Fire Insurance, Donovan Bl'dg.

E. A. Wilson, coal dealer, is selling coal at lowest cash prices; call at 51 Merrimack street.

Patten & Co. have the finest potted and cut flowers in the city, Shedd's block, Central street.

The police officers of Manchester will petition the incoming city council for an increase of wages of 25 cents per day.

The greatest remedy for a cough ever known is Dr. Pheam's Cough syrup. A bottle costs 25 cents and is on sale at 229 Gorham street.

A true, life-like photo is something everybody admires. Marion makes that kind. Visit his studio in Barristers' hall and have a sitting made.

R. H. Loupret, for 12 years assistant and of late manager of Loupret's studio, has resigned that position and is now with Freeman, the fotographer, P. O. building, where he will be pleased to meet his friends.

The High street Y. P. S. C. E. has elected these officers, besides regular committees: Arthur L. Clark, president; Helen R. Boardman, vice president; Grace Redliff, secretary; Grace Keniston, treasurer; Annie A. Cahill, corresponding secretary.

Lowell Boys Lost.

The basket ball team of the Y. M. C. A. went to Lawrence last evening and was defeated by the Lawrence Y. M. C. A. team 6 to 5. A large number of Lowell rooters were present at the game.

Begin the new year by making a deposit at the Lowell Five Cent Savings bank. Deposits placed upon interest Jan. 5th.

Reform Club Public Meeting.

At the Reform Club hall to-morrow evening addresses will be made by Rev. George H. Johnson of John Street Congregational church and by Elder John McAskie of the Central M. E. church. Vocal solos will be rendered by Michael Gorman, the well known vocalist, and by R. J. Fullerton, leader of the L. R. C. Glee club.

JUST A LITTLE GOSSIP.

The profit sharing experiment which has attracted widespread interest in textile circles, at the Bourne mills, Fall River, is now entering upon the last half of the sixth year.

The ten semi-annual dividends paid up to the present time have averaged over three per cent. on the amount of wages paid, or six per cent. a year, a sum greater than the same amount of money upon deposit in savings banks would have yielded.

The employes share in direct proportion to the stockholders and, strictly speaking, the plan should be called dividend sharing, rather than profit sharing, though the dividends of course come out of the profits. The Employes Savings fund afford a handy way of laying up small sums of money from week to week. Interest at five per cent. is allowed upon such sums as remain twelve full calendar months. When the sum of $5 has been saved, it may be transferred to a savings bank, and the possession of a savings bank book entitles the owner to the cash payment of a dividend the same as a credit in the Employees Savings fund.

The following statement from the Electrical World will be of special interest to telephone users who were interested in the outcome of the Berliner patents decision:

"It will be seen that at present all forms of telephone receivers and transmitters are free, and that on Jan. 15, the valuable patent on the use of the induction coil with transmitters will expire. As a consequence private lines may be installed and operated under the most advantageous circumstances. The situation as to the large exchange stations, however, is still much involved, and, owing to the multiplicity of patents concerned and the scant knowledge on the subject of requirements of exchanges outside of the Bell companies, it will be some time before it can be cleared up.

"It now seems that there would be much difficulty in economically operating any exchange of considerable size without the aid of switchboard and other devices covered by Bell patents. When, however, the difficulties to be overcome are clearly defined and understood, the matter will come within the province of the inventor, and the conditions would have to be singular indeed if some method of meeting them could not be eventually devised."

The saying "the cat came back," will probably be well illustrated by a legal case to determine if the captain of a tug boat is entitled to salvage on an abandoned bark picked up at sea. Courts have held that a ship is not abandoned while there is a living animal aboard. The tug captain was nawise enough to rescue a live cat from the ship, and the feline may be damaging proof against his claims. He may have to sue for his money.

SCHOOL FOR AMBITIOUS BOYS

FIRST STEP TOWARDS A TEXTILE ART SCHOOL IN LOWELL.

Committee Appointed to Go to the School Board and Present the Good Features of Such a Movement.

While the conference between Lowell mill men and the directors of the board of trade, last night, in relation to the establishment of a textile art school, was private, enough information was given out to ensure those interested that such a school may be started in the near future.

Among those at the conference were A. G. Cumnock, agent of the Boott, Supt. John J. Hart of the Merrimack print works, Thomas Walsh superintendent of the Hamilton print works, E. S. Hylan of the New England Bunting company, Supt. of schools A. K. Whitcomb, Postmaster G. W. Pearson, J. F. Murphy, J. W. C. Pickering, Cassius W. Pierce and James O'Sullivan.

The subject was discussed at great length and in detail, but while its need was emphasized unanimously there was a difference of opinion as to how it should be started, founded and maintained. The subject will discussed at another conference when the mill men will read papers on their views of the school. In the meantime a committee consisting of A. G. Cumnock, J. J. Hart, Thomas Walsh, A. K. Whitcomb and James T. Smith will endeavor to have a conference with the incoming school board to interest it in the subject.

Louis Alexander,

Importer and tailor, 65 Central street, is a first class practical cutter of long experience in fine New York houses. In up with the times and guarantees satisfaction. Semi-annual clearance sale now on.

23 Pounds of Sugar $1.00.

We are selling our patrons 23 lbs. of the best Granulated Sugar for $1.00. Free delivery to our Tea and Coffee customers. Dixon Bros., 68 Merrimack Street.

LABOR FIGURES

Decreased Purchases in Business Centres.

THE DEMAND FOR COTTON IS GREATLY REDUCED.

Other Matters Affecting the Market in General.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: Commercial failures in 1894 already reported to R. G. Dun & Co. number 14,292, against 15,243 last year, with liabilities of $163,238,404, against $346,779,889 last year.

Next week the final report of 1894 will probably include about 400 more failures, with liabilities of about $4,000,000. From these accounts, banks, bankers, financial and transportation companies are excluded.

Wages actually paid in November are compared today with working hours in establishments throughout the country, and in about 50 branches of industry the average being 236.4 hours per hand this year, 218.4 last year and 243.2 in 1892.

The wages paid per hour were 1.2 per cent less than last year, and 8.59 per cent less than in 1892. The hands employed in establishments reporting were 6.59 per cent more than last year, but 12.02 per cent less than in 1892. The total wages paid in these establishments in November were 16.33 per cent more than in November, 1893, but 21.77 per cent less than in November, 1892.

Thus the decrease in purchasing power of the working force is found to be due mainly to decrease in number of hands and hours of work, rather than to reduction of wages paid per hour.

Holiday trade has scarcely met expectations. Purchases have been numerous, but smaller than usual in amount and more confined to needful articles.

Wheat and Corn.

Wheat has declined ½ cent, though western receipts have been only 1,712,908 bushels, against 3,109,883 for the same week last year, but since Aug. 1 receipts have been a little larger than last year, and the visible supply is the largest ever known. Exports in December from both coasts have been a little larger than last year, but for the crop year about 20,000,000 bushels smaller.

The western estimate, usually regarded with most confidence, is that the crop will reach 515,000,000 bushels, which will leave for export, with stocks brought over, more than 200,000,000 bushels, of which only 75,000,000 bushels have gone abroad. Corn has declined ¾ cent, with good receipts.

Cotton and Wool.

The price of cotton has not changed, but the fact that receipts from plantations this month have been greater than in 1891, while stocks in sight here and abroad are larger than at the same date that year, is an obstacle to any rise. Revision of prices for cotton goods has been the controlling feature since the great auction, and wide shortings have been marked down about 10 per cent, while changes all along the line are expected. It is no longer disputed that the consuming demand has fallen below expectations and below the production which was kept up in the hope of increased consumption.

Very little has been done in woolen goods, all waiting for developments after Jan. 1, when new duties take effect. Low grade overcoats already opened show little change, and in dress goods one or two cases of slight advance are noted. Sales of wool this month have been 17,896,800 pounds, against 13,049,197 last year, and 21,802,300 in 1892, and Ohio XX has sold at 17 cents.

The market for iron and steel is waiting, but the reduction in wages at the Edgar Thompson works, averaging 15 per cent, plainly indicates the same difficulty which is seen in other quarters, that the demand in consumption does not answer increase in production of pig iron.

Failures for the week have been 350 in the United States, against 311 last year, and 41 in Canada, against 41 last year.

Over the Border.

Bradstreet's today says: Toronto jobbers say trade is very quiet and travelers from that city are not hurrying their departure, although at Montreal preparations are making in several lines to send out travelers.

At Quebec city shoe manufacturers report trade brisk. At Halifax the volume of business is moderate, and wholesale trade is dull. Collections throughout Nova Scotia are slow.

In Newfoundland the business situation remains unchanged, or as previously described, somewhat chaotic. Bank clearings at Winnipeg, Hamilton, Toronto, Montreal and Halifax aggregate $15,412,000 this week, against $21,171,000 last week, and $16,351,000 in the week last year. Canadian business failures during 1894, as reported to Bradstreet's, aggregate 1705 last year; total liabilities amounting to $17,724,003 this year, and $14,762,000 last year, with customary ratios of assets.

There is a moderate increase in the number of failures in the province of Ontario, but a falling off in total liabilities; a greater relative increase in the number of failures in the province of Quebec, with a sharp gain in volume of liabilities. New Brunswick reports a moderate increase in the number of failures, with nearly double the amount of liabilities in 1893, and Nova Scotia a moderate decrease and a heavy decline in volume of liabilities, the like being true with reference to Prince Edward Island.

In Manitoba there is one less failure than the year before, though with a slightly increased volume of liabilities. Failures in the northwest territory dropped more than one-half this year, and liabilities still further. There is also a smaller number of failures reported from British Columbia, but liabilities have increased.

There are 22 failures reported from Newfoundland, against 15 the year before, with liabilities of $6,250,000 this year, against $927,000 last year. The situation in Newfoundland appears to be one of suspended animation rather than general commercial or financial failure, which will account for the comparatively few commercial deaths reported in spite of the business crisis.

Quiet at Hawaii.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Mr. Hastings received advices from Honolulu yesterday confirmatory of the latest press advices from that country, to the effect that the political situation is quietor and that the recent so-called monarchial conspiracy was a matter of small importance.

Hub's Investigation Closed.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—The investigation of public institutions, conducted by the committee of the full board of aldermen, during the past nine months, closed yesterday. Fifty-eight sessions have been held since the hearing began, March 15. Three hours time was allowed for each side in the arguments.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

MADELINE POLLARD PENITENT

SHE IS TO LIVE AWAY THE STAIN.

That Has Besmirched Her Name and Character—She Issues a Statement Indicating Her Sorrow at Her Failure in Life.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Statements have been made that Miss Madeline Pollard designed going upon the stage as an actress, and that in person or by an attorney she purposed following Congressman Breckinridge about the country to levy upon the proceeds of his lecture tour just begun. Prompted by these statements, Miss Pollard has requested the press to give publicity to the following:

"I have not wanted to make a statement of any kind. I could not see that what I did was of interest to people generally. So I have tried to bear all that has been said of me as part of punishment for my failure as a woman. I am not going before the world in any capacity. I have no message to carry; I have asked a question with my life; it cannot be answered in a day.

"I have no theatrical friends. I have never been situated so I could have. Their world is far removed from mine. I live in a private house with my brother and southern friends.

"I do not believe there is a man or woman on earth who thinks there is money compensation for sorrow. I am sorry, for any reason whatsoever, I am accused of realizing so little the enormous sorrow that overshadows my life.

"I am not under an assumed name. I have not been to any place where I was not well known. I do not mean to be while I live. I have stained my dear father's spotless name, and with the Christ power, I shall fight from under the stain."

In Prohibition Portland.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 29.—B. I. Thompson, proprietor of the Dominion House, who was in the municipal court on a search and seizure process, was discharged. A case of lager beer was found at the hotel, but Proprietor Thompson testified that it belonged to some of his boarders. Three boarders who were summoned as witnesses claimed that they had made a practice of pooling in and buying cases of beer, a record being kept of the consumption of each case and each man paying toward the next case a share proportionate to what he drank. Judge Gould threatened to have actions for liquor selling brought against all three of the boarders.

No Place For Americans.

HARTFORD, Dec. 29.—An Armenian of this city has received a letter from a Turkish officer, who says: "Many of the officers in the army near Sassoun saw no reason for destroying so many people. The sultan not only tortures Christian people, but his soldiers and officers as well. I advise you to stay away, because the sultan is determined to rob and imprison every American citizen."

Stalled on a Crossing.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 29.—A Boston express was brought to a stop within 12 feet of a stalled trolley car at the East Main street crossing yesterday afternoon. In some way the current had been shut off when the trolley car was nearing the steam railroad tracks, and its momentum was just sufficient to bring it directly on the tracks.

Bullet Through His Head.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Henry G. Lewis of St. Louis, aged 20, a student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head. The cause of the act is unknown. He was well up in his studies, and was considered a man of exemplary habits. His father is a dry goods merchant of St. Louis.

Rhody's New Armory.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 29.—Contractor McCormick yesterday turned over the state armory to the state, the keys being received by Governor Brown in person. The building cost $24,000. It was erected for the naval reserves of Newport and company B, Second regiment, stationed here. There were no exercises.

Considering Immigration.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Commissioners of immigration of some of the leading ports of the United States met yesterday at Ellis island for a general discussion of matters pertaining to their departments. An effort will also be made to have a uniformity of rules to govern all immigration departments in this country.

Beyond Our Jurisdiction.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—United States Minister Denby has made no demand on the Chinese government for satisfaction for the killing of the two Japanese student spies, as reported, nor is the government in a position to make any such demand, which is usually construed to mean an indemnity.

Got the Right Man.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The agent general in London of Cape Colony states that there is no doubt as to the identity of Wilhelm A. Lippert, who was recently arrested in Cincinnati and brought to New York, preliminary to his extradition to England on the charge of obtaining $848,075 by forgery.

Youthful Burglars Captured.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Jonas Harvey, aged 19, of Massabesic, N. H., and Frederick Barton, aged 20, of this city, were arrested yesterday as fugitives from justice. They are wanted for various burglaries committed at Candia and Raymond, N. H.

No Change in Price of Coal.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Anthracite coal sales agents yesterday decided to limit their production in January to 45 per cent of their capacity, which will be a production of 2,300,000 tons. No change has been made in prices.

But Slightly Damaged.

HALIFAX, Dec. 29.—During the gale which raged along the coast Thursday the Gloucester (Mass.) schooner James H. Steele went ashore near Liverpool. She was afterward got off slightly damaged.

Woolen Mill Burned.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 29.—Fire at Long Hill destroyed the Ratcliffe woolen mills. New machinery worth $40,000 was recently put in. The fire started from overheated machinery.

Battling For Life.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A bulletin states that Lord Randolph Churchill passed a quiet day yesterday. He continues to take a little nourishment and his strength is fairly maintained.

RADIGIAN'S "WRONGS"

May Have Been Brought About by His Own Unwarranted Doings.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The state department is under no apprehension as to results of threatened congressional inquiry into the case of Radigian, who has complained through the press of his treatment at the hands of United States Minister Terrell at Constantinople.

It is pointed out that the man's own statement put him in a most equivocal position. He says that he took out a Russian passport at Batoum in order to travel in Turkey. To do so, he must have taken oath that he was a Russian citizen, yet it was a necessary preliminary to his taking out a United States passport to swear that he was an American citizen. Under these circumstances it is held that Minister Terrell's hesitancy to issue a passport was thoroughly justified.

Aside from this consideration, however, the Turkish government has refused persistently to admit the right of Turkish subjects to expatriate themselves to return to Turkey, and as our own supreme court in the case of the Chinese exclusion law has affirmed the absolute right of a nation to exclude any class of persons from its territory, the United States would seem to have little ground upon which to protest.

No Trouble With Austria.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Mr. von Hengelmuller, the new Austrian minister, was seen concerning reports that Austria would follow the course of Germany, first in protesting against the American tariff on sugars, and then in retaliating against the products of this country. Mr. Hengelmuller said Austria had not taken any steps on the American tariff. The relations with the United States had always been most cordial, and they would remain so by a satisfactory arrangement of the sugar duties.

Mrs. Young's Case.

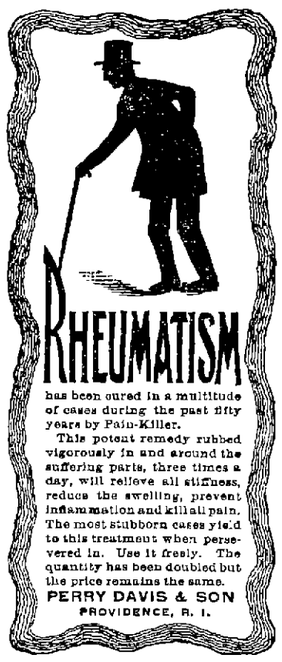
SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Dec. 29.—C. H. Young of Brooklyn came to this city yesterday and took back his wife, who surrendered herself Thursday to the police here. Young corroborated the story of his wife that she had been intimate with a dry goods merchant of Brooklyn, and had extorted a large sum of money from him. This money, the woman claims, she threw overboard from a Sound steamboat, but the police think that she has it still in her possession.

Two Women Suffocated.

NORWICH, Conn., Dec. 29.—In the town of Sprague, Miss Mary Brennan, aged 70, while smoking in bed, set the clothes on fire. She called Mrs. Michael Brennan, who was 60 years of age, and partially blind, to help put out the fire. On entering the room, Mrs. Brennan closed the door, then filled with dense smoke, and although the women succeeded in extinguishing the fire, they were both suffocated.

Rhode Island's Gambling Evil.

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 29.—A war of public opinion against the present pool law has swept over the state, and there is little doubt but that it will be repealed as soon as the legislature meets. Senator Merrill of Cranston stated yesterday that he would introduce the repeal bill and would request that it be passed without reference to committee.



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ON CIVIL SERVICE

Do the Rules Affect Secy. Richardson?

OPINION OF C. S. COMMISSIONER C. H. CONANT, ESQ.

An Analagous Case Exempt in Lawrence.

There is a good deal of speculation on various matters relative to the probable action of the new city government, its organization or failure to organize and the subsequent course to be followed by either party.

Democrats say that there is disunion in the republican ranks, republicans say the disunion is all on the democratic side, and thus it goes. It will be impossible to tell precisely how matters stand until the time comes.

The position of secretary of the overseers of the poor is the subject of considerable talk just now, not that there is any concerted opposition to Mr. Richardson, but because there is a great difference of opinion as to whether the office comes under the civil service rules. A SUN representative called upon Charles H. Conant to ascertain his opinion on the question.

He at once said that the present occupant and his predecessors were appointed under civil service rules and he was not aware of any change that would remove the office from the operation of the civil service law.

When asked whether the new method of electing the overseers would change the status of the office he turned to the act providing for election of overseers by the people. Chap. 190, acts of 1894.

This act provides that the overseers of the poor may appoint a secretary and superintendent and such other subordinate officers as the ordinances of the city may require and may define the duties of said officers provided however that the duty of said officers be established by the city council.

Mr. Conant was disposed at first to say that this changed the situation but the point turned on the phrase "may appoint" as this means also "may not appoint".

He then turned to the civil service law, acts of 1893 chap. 95, which enumerates the officers exempt from civil service rules as follows:

"Judicial officers, and officers elected by the people, or a city council, or whose appointment is subject to confirmation by the executive council of the commonwealth, or the city council of any city, &c., &c., heads of any principal departments of the commonwealth or of a city, &c.

This law would not exempt Mr. Richardson unless he should be considered the head of the department but the mayor being chairman of the board is considered the head.

On the whole Mr. Conant saw nothing to change his opinion that the position of secretary of the overseers of the poor is under the operation of civil service rules.

In contradiction of this view a gentleman who is interested in the matter stated that the secretary of the overseers of the poor at Lawrence is not affected by civil service rules although appointed precisely as was Mr. Richardson. The civil service board stated that the office was under the civil service but when the overseers took the matter in hand, the claims of the board were found to be untenable.

Besides, the new board of overseers may declare the secretary the head of the department and thus remove all question on the matter.

Mr. Richardson made application under civil service rules but being a veteran was not required to take an examination. His predecessors were similarly appointed. Altogether the decision of the question is largely a matter of construction of the law and will have to be decided by the city solicitor in conjunction with the civil service commissioners.

A Quiet Police Court.

There were only three drunks yet all three were sentenced.

Edward Roach went to jail for four months; Kate Faley to the workhouse for five months; and John H. Drohan will remain six months at the state farm.

The case of Isaac Gordon for assault resulted in a fine of $10 for the defendant.

The case of Georgiana Meehan and Eliza Virginia for larceny of an album was continued.

Lecture on the Catholic Church.

In the Sacred Heart bazaar course tomorrow evening, Philip J. Farley, Esq., will lecture in the school on "The Catholic church in New England."

It Means Loss Pay.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—The 3500 employes in the packing house of Armour & Co. were informed yesterday that hereafter eight hours will constitute a day's work. The plant has been running 10 hours up to this time. The strong competition between the packers has greatly reduced the profits to be obtained from the business.

CHRISTMAS.

Presents of money to England, Ireland and Scotland for Christmas at the Money Order Office, 324 Market Street corner of Worthen, payable at any bank in England, Ireland, and Scotland.

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OUR CITY SOLONS

Winding Up Work With a Noticeable Rush.

WINDY WERE THE DEBATES ON TWO MATTERS.

That Horse Sale Explained by Alderman Lovejoy.

What was probably the last business meeting of the common council of 1894 was held last evening and it was the quietest of the year of eventful meetings. From appearances about city hall we would think that the entire building was cast in gloom, regretting the departure of that unique combination of democrats, republicans and cuckoos.

The outside of the building even manifested this appearance, for at 8 o'clock, the appointed hour of meeting, the light in the clock tower was not to be seen, neither were the lights at the entrance visible. Inside the building, the same unwonted darkness prevailed until City Messenger Cahill and Janitor McGurk had lighted the candle lights.

There were no spectators in the galleries and in the council chamber there was no light or Sparks. The light, however, came up shortly after eight o'clock and thus there was no need of Sparks, and the meeting was called without him.

Among the spectators on the floor were many of the councilmen-elect, principally republicans, including Mons. Rivet and Mr. Dickson.

During the time preceding the calling together of the members, the boy detective nosed around the councilmen who were putting down names for a jury list.

At quarter to nine the meeting was called by Clerk Simonds, and Councilman O'Connor was chosen temporary chairman.

Seventeen members were present.

There was a pile of business to be transacted and it began with a ballot for commissioner of the sinking fund.

Peter F. Conaton had 9 votes, E. M. Tucke had 6, and Mr. Conaton was elected in concurrence.

Chairman O'Connor then read reports and petitions until his voice was well nigh lost.

Leave was given to withdraw by the committee on streets on the petitions of John Ryan and Tremont & Suffolk corporation, and the reports were accepted.

The following reports of the street committee with resolutions accompanying were allowed to remain seven days in the city clerk's office: On petition of Maurice Kearney that Griffin street may be accepted; of Dominick J. Duffy that Lawrence street court be laid out and accepted; of Joseph S. Grush, for a sidewalk of edgestones on Hale street; of A. Jacobs that Congress street be straightened; of Samuel Tice that Cosgrove street be laid out and accepted; of George L. Adams, for a sidewalk on June street; of W. H. Hawes for concrete sidewalk on Canton street; of William H. Anderson, that Midland street be accepted and graded.

A recess of 10 minutes was here taken to enable the committee on salaries to meet.

After a lengthy debate over the removal of a tree from in front of the residence of N. J. Wier, the matter was referred to the highway commissioner.

The salary bill came down from the aldermen and there were more debates. The aldermanic amendment to the committee report was non-concurred in and so declared, thus making the pay of the liquor inspectors $1200 per year against $3 a day now. The council also concurred in raising the pay of two call firemen $75 per year each, from $225 to $300 per year. The rest of the salary resolution was concurred in and the bill goes back to the board as amended on the liquor inspectors.

THE ALDERMEN.

The board of aldermen met in special session last evening and disposed of considerable business. There was a little tilt over the petition of the Lowell & Suburban railroad for final action on its petition for a location on East Merrimack and Nesmith streets.

The recommendation of the committee on streets to define the lines on Gorham street also occasioned some debate.

City Solicitor Hogan was present and advised the aldermen upon several questions which came up during the evening.

The following petitions were referred: of Adams and Hallowell to hold a sacred concert in Huntington hall, January 6; of H. C. Church for license for the Bijou theatre.

Several petitions for auctioneer and minor licenses were referred.

E. C. Gibson petitioned for permission to set up and run a stationary steam engine on East Bleachery street and a hearing was held, but as Mr. Gibson was not present nor Alderman Dunlap, who was appointed a committee to investigate, the matter was postponed till later in the evening.

A resolution was adopted to abate the sewer assessment on Foster, Princeton, Sarles and Westford streets.

The Lowell & Suburban road asked for final action on its petition for relocation of tracks on East Merrimack street. Alderman Johnson introduced a resolution granting locations on East Merrimack and Nesmith streets.

Alderman Westall said the aldermen in committee had considered this matter and acted adversely upon it which was equivalent to granting leave to withdraw.

Alderman S. J. Johnson said the matter had been disposed of in conference, but had never been acted upon in open board. He favored the petition in conference, and he is in favor of it now.

Alderman Westall opposed it in the conference because residents in that vicinity are opposed to it, as the street is not sufficiently wide to admit of another track.

The mayor said he believed a hearing should be given to allow the public to express its opinion pro. and con. The public has rights as well as corporations.

Alderman Lovejoy favored the proposition to give the railroad two tracks on Nesmith street, but he wanted the same restrictions imposed as were put on the First street location. If it was wise to place restrictions on the First street location it is certainly advisable to place them on the Nesmith street location. He amended the resolution so that the same restrictions imposed upon the First street location be also placed upon the Nesmith street location. The amendment passed.

Then Alderman Lovejoy said that in order to make matters clearer he thought it advisable to postpone action till the next meeting. He withdrew his amendment and offered a motion to have the restrictions prepared by a committee of three and the city solicitor.

The motion passed and Alderman Lovejoy, Westall and Bagley were appointed on the committee.

Alderman Westall then moved that a hearing be granted on the petition next Tuesday evening.

The committee on streets recommended that the lines of Gorham street be defined as petitioned for, and a resolution to that effect was introduced. But City Solicitor Hogan to whom the matter was referred, sent a communication stating that the city has no right to define the lines. It must be done by the county commissioners. The city has the power to widen the street but not define the lines.

Alderman Lovejoy inquired if defining the lines did not practically mean to widen the street. If that is so why cannot the city go ahead and do the work. The work of widening the street can be done cheaper now than next year.

Solicitor Hogan said the question under consideration had received considerable attention and has been a matter of considerable comment. If the petitioners desired to widen the street, they should have so petitioned, and not asked to have the lines defined. It seems that should land be taken under the conditions of the petition, those injured could appeal to the courts and should they be sustained the work would be stopped. He believed the petitioners if they desired to have the street so widened should so petition, and a public hearing be ordered by the council.

The resolution to define the lines was then defeated.

A recess of ten minutes was taken to allow the aldermanic members of the committee on salaries a chance to confer with the councilmanic members of the committee.

The report of the committee on salaries was then taken up, and Mayor Pickman stated that during the year he deemed it advisable to engage a veterinary surgeon to assist Major Allen in his duties, as cattle commissioner, and had paid him from the reserved fund.

After the conference the board re-assembled and the report of the committee was taken up. It provided for the payment of $1200 per annum to the liquor inspectors; also recommended $1500 for the inspector of milk and vinegar, and the payment of $4 per day to the first assistant engineer of the fire department when acting as chief.

The increase for the liquor inspectors was opposed by Alderman S. J. Johnson, who knew of no reason for such action. He thought the office of liquor inspector should be abolished and the work done by patrolmen. He formed his opinion from his two years' experience on the police and license committee. He therefore moved to amend the report so that the pay of liquor inspectors be settled at $3 per day.

Alderman Lovejoy favored the report and said that since the meeting of the committee he had inquired into the work of the inspectors and was satisfied that they deserved the increase. He was shown a double barreled shotgun that one of the inspectors ran against while making a raid.

Alderman Westall looked at the matter the same as Alderman Johnson. The amendment then passed 6 to 2, Dickinson and Lovejoy in the negative.

Alderman Bagley offered an amendment to increase the salary of the two call foremen of the fire department to $300 per year.

Mayor Pickman cautioned the aldermen to go slow in raising salaries, and assured them they would not court popular favor by such action. But despite his warning the amendment was carried 5 to 3.

Alderman Westall moved to strike out $4 per day extra for the first assistant engineer, while acting as chief. The motion was lost.

The salary of the milk inspector was fixed at $1500. The clause calling for the appointment of a cattle inspector at $500 per annum was then taken up and passed. The salary bill was then adopted.

Explains That Horse Sale.

Mayor Pickman then called up the horse sale that has caused so much talk during the past week, and after telling the board he had engaged an expert to investigate into the matter, he called on Alderman Lovejoy for an explanation. Alderman Lovejoy said that according to custom, Supt. Crowley reported the number of horses in the stable which it would be unprofitable to quarter during the winter, and so the committee decided to sell them. On the afternoon of the sale, Mr. Hanson was down town when we telephoned for him, but returned shortly and came over to the stable. Charles Clapp was seen but said he could not handle the horses. The speaker had not seen the horses till he arrived and he was surprised at the lot. The only sound one in the lot was an animal over 20 years old. It would have been better had six of them been turned over to the Humane society. He believed no one beside Mr. Hanson could get rid of the horses. He could dispose of them to the Brown Lumber Co., who would work them in the New Hampshire woods. If Mr. Hanson makes $10 each on the horses he will be lucky. It costs him about $6 per day to keep the horses. He has already sold one for $6 and offered a choice of any one in the lot for $40.

Alderman Stanley said he handles about 30 horses, and each year he has to get rid of a certain number. Once he sent some horses to Conant's auction and it cost him $7 to get them back, for no one bid on them, and he had to pay the auctioneers' fees. If some of the newspaper men saw these horses they would promptly say they were worth $1000.

The mayor asked the alderman what he thought the animals were worth.

The alderman refused to set a price, but said they were such as in his own business he would give away. Most of them if sent into the woods for lumber work would die before spring.

The board then adjourned.

PERSONAL.

The engagement is announced of Mr. George H. Stevens to Miss Georgianna R. Thomson.

C. M. Dickey and Mrs. Dickey, Hon. J. C. Burke and Mrs. Burke, and Capt. L. A. Folsom have gone to New York for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bradley will observe the 40th anniversary of their wedding on New Year's night, at their home, 485 Westford street.

Miss Stevens of 00 Kirk street will be at home on the evening of Tuesday, January 1, to receive friends to meet Miss Kempton of Rhode Island and Miss Moore of Walpole. No cards.

The Children's Christmas Party.

The children of the Unitarian church held their annual Christmas tree party yesterday afternoon. The tree was loaded with toys and presents for everybody. Santa Claus was present much to the delight of the little ones. After the distribution of presents refreshments were served.

The "Puts" Won Again.

At the armory last night an exciting basket ball game was played between the Phalanx and Putnam Guards resulting in a victory for the latter 8 to 5 after a very exciting game.

Green will close out his holiday goods in watches, jewelry and silverware at sacrifice prices, and gives extra trades in pianos, organs and sewing machines. Green's, 88 Merrimack street.

SAVINGS DEPOSITS.

Interest Begins Monthly.

Interest begins January 1st in the Savings Department of the Traders' National Bank of this city on money deposited before 4 o'clock P. M., Thursday, January 3rd. Rate of interest 4 per cent per annum compounding semi-annually. This bank is open continuously from 8 A. M. to 4 P. M. and on Saturdays from 8 A. M. to 1 P. M. and Saturday evenings from 7 to 9 o'clock.

PHILADELPHIA'S TURN.

Residents of the Quaker City Denounce the Atrocities by Turks.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29.—A largely attended mass meeting was held in Association hall last night to protest against the Turkish atrocities practiced upon the Armenian Christians recently. The following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That by willfully and systematically abandoning her Christian subjects to the unbridled lust and unparalleled atrocities, the Turkish government demonstrates her own incapacity to govern without foreign interference.

Resolved, That we condemn the wholesale, cruel and barbarous massacre in the Sassoun district, and implore all civilized men for the sake of common humanity to encourage and aid us.

Resolved, That we earnestly appeal to the signatory powers of the Berlin treaty for sympathy and protection, and respectfully protest that the justice in reform vouchsafed by the various existing treaties affecting Armenia have never been secured to her, and we beg for them and for autonomy.

Resolved, That we earnestly appeal to our government to use its good offices and take measures consistent with our foreign policy in order that the signatory powers of the Berlin treaty may be induced to enforce, without further delay, the provision of the 61st article of said treaty.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the President of the United States with a request that the same be communicated through the department of state to the representatives of the signatory powers.

Dastardly Work of a Robber.

SANTA ROSA, Cal., Dec. 29.—The county treasury was robbed yesterday, and County Treasurer Stofer was left insensible in the vault to suffer death by the robber, who locked the door to the vault on him. The robbery occurred about 9 o'clock in the morning, but was not discovered until about 5 o'clock in the afternoon. All this time Mr Stofer lay on the floor of the vault, gasping for breath, fearing every conscious interval would be his last. Had it not been for the timely arrival of his wife, the only person in town who knew the combination, he would have been dead.

Icebound In China.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The little gunboat Petrel is icebound at New-Chwang, China, and has been laid up for the winter. Admiral Carpenter has sent a photograph of the vessel in the process of being encased in earth walls and roof. Near by is the British warship Firebrand, likewise encased in mud with a roof of heavy matting. The Petrel will be turned into a fortress.

Howgate's Plea.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Henry W. Howgate was arraigned yesterday on three of the indictments against him. His counsel prayed that the indictments be quashed, on the ground that United States grand juries considered statements made by persons not sworn as witnesses nor otherwise qualified to testify, and that no one of them had any personal knowledge of the matters considered.

Burned on the Rocks.

HALIFAX, Dec. 29. — Schooner Billy Brown, with a cargo of lumber, was lost during Thursday night's storm near La Have. She went on the rocks, caught fire and, with the cargo, was destroyed. The crew were saved.

Double Domestic Tragedy.

MILLINGTON, Mich., Dec. 29.—Matthew Palmer yesterday cut his wife's throat and then cut his own. Both are dead.

Psychological President.

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 29.—The psychological congress re-elected Professor James of Harvard president and Professor Sanford of Clark university secretary.

Action of Respect.

The democratic city committee last night appointed a delegation which attended the funeral of the late Richard B. Allen today and another committee which will report resolutions of respect. The delegation included Chairman Pearson; Senator P. J. Brady, M. J. Garvey and Philip Conners.

Taken By Subway Board.

The old Haymarket square railroad depot in Boston has been taken by the subway commission as a step in the rapid transit system plans.

A Great Sale!!!

Beginning on Tuesday morning we inaugurate a monster Stock-taking Clearance Sale of Winter Covering, consisting of Suits, Overcoats, Ulsters, Hosiery, Gloves, Underwear, Hats, Caps, and odd pairs of Pantaloons for Men, Youths, and Children of all ages and dimensions. Store opens at 9 o'clock on Tuesday morning. Sale will continue for two weeks. Watch Tuesday's papers.

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LATEST

5 O'CLOCK.

AN AWFUL SIGHT

Presented by a Holocaust in a Village.

DEATH WAS A VISITOR TO THAT CHRISTMAS TREE.

Forty-one Villagers Were Burned to Death.

By Associated Press to THE SUN.

PLAINTON, Oregon, Dec. 29.—A terrible holocaust is reported from Silver Lake, a village of 100 inhabitants, 150 miles from here. The details have just come in for this is the nearest telephone or telegraph station.

At a Christmas tree festival in a hall in the town on Christmas eve, nearly all the villagers had assembled. While the presents were being distributed by Santa Claus somebody to get a better view got up on a bench and in so doing knocked over a kerosene lamp. In the confusion the tree caught fire.

Women and children were trampled under foot in the mad rush of people to get out. There being no fire apparatus the entire building was burned together with 41 persons. Of the others 10 were badly, perhaps fatally burned and five otherwise hurt.

THE PRINCIPAL SPANKED HER

COURT UPHELD HIM IN HIS OLD-FASHIONED METHOD.

Warning For School Children Who Are Refractory—Court Remarked That Good Taste Was Lacking.

By Associated Press to THE SUN.

LYNN, Dec. 29.—Gardner Balch, principal of the Swampscott high school, was in court today for alleged assault on Mary Ferguson, a pupil, aged 12 years. It seems that the girl was sent to him for correction and she, refusing to hold out her hand for the ruler he laid her across the bench and administered the ruler in the old fashioned, fatherly way.

The court said that he must uphold the principal in his effort to maintain discipline but must question the good taste displayed. The principal was discharged.

Gigantic Elevator Burned.

By Associated Press To the SUN.

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 29.—The elevator of the Dayton & Michigan railroad was burned today; loss $550,000; insurance $350,000. Chris Dandelion was burned to death.

Water Tank Blown Down.

By Associated Press to THE SUN.

AMESBURY, Dec. 28.—The big water tank of the water company, at Salisbury beach was blown down in yesterday's gale and the crash was heard three miles. The tank had a capacity of 10,000 gallons.

Two Firemen Killed.

By Associated Press to THE SUN

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—By the collapse of a flour at 124 West 24th street, today, Fire Chief Breslin, and Fireman Rooney of Truck 12, were killed.

LOCAL NOTES.

The aldermen will hold another meeting next Tuesday evening in accordance with a call issued by Mayor Pickman.

The All-Massachusetts Bowling team made 2651 in a game last night, which is the top mark so far this season, but not a record.

Another Massachusetts corporation proposes to build a Southern cotton mill. It is the Whittier company of Lowell, and Georgia is its intended location. There is food for sober reflection here for the radical labor agitators of New England.—Journal.

Trouble Over an Attachment.

There was quite a scene on Middlesex street last night. Isaac Gordon keeps a jewelry store there and Constable Gately went up to serve a writ of attachment on the store for a New York firm.

When Mr. Gately made know his mission a disturbance ensued, it is said. The constable claims that Gordon immediately offered resistance to him in his work and was looking for trouble.

A large crowd had assembled in front of the store by this time and according to the constable, "Gordon was very mad." But Gately was there for business and meant to attain the object of his journey.

He succeeded in putting Gordon and his sister out of the store and then placed his keeper in charge.

The keeper is still there.

Licensed to Be Married.

The following intentions were recorded at the city clerk's office today:

Henry W. Clough, 27, to Sarah Morrill, 24

Edward Morrill, 21, to Louise Albert, 24.

Adam Kovona, 26, to Catherine Stys, 20.

A New Order.

The Home Benefit association was formed last night with 42 members in a lodge. The officers are as follows: Past president, Mrs. J. B. Trueworthy; president, A. J. Howe; vice president, Mrs. A. A. Howe; secretary, Geo A. Hood; treasurer, V. G. Barnett; marshal, S. A. Pickering; chaplain, Mrs. M. H. Leighton; guard, Mrs. Abbie J. Hood; sentinel, Mrs. S. A. Pickering; trustees, Warren N. Roberts, A. B. Carll and Frank W. Cobb; representatives to supreme lodge, Mrs. J. B. Trueworthy and A. J. Howe.

The Local Newspaperdom.

Today's edition of the Citizen is the last of that paper as an afternoon daily. Beginning with the new year the Citizen will rise before the sun, except in midsummer. The latest bit of news in this line is the probability of a new republican afternoon daily. His mission is as yet unknown.

IN DEATH THEY HONORED HIM

IMPRESSIVE SERVICES OVER THE LATE RICHARD B. ALLEN.

Immaculate Conception Church Thronged With Friends of the Deceased—Great Display of Magnificent Floral Tributes Very Rev. Dr. Allen the Celebrant of Solemn Requiem Mass.

All that is mortal of ex-Representative Richard B. Allen was consigned to its final resting place in the Catholic cemetery this morning, with touching funeral services.

During the past two days hundreds of friends have called at the home of the deceased to take a last look of him who in life was a friend to everyone, and many were the expressions of profound regret heard on all sides. The remains reposed in a broadcloth casket, which was surrounded by an immense amount of costly floral tributes, beautiful marks of the esteem in which deceased was held.

The floral offerings included a pillow inscribed "Papa" from the children of the deceased; a reclining wreath inscribed "Brother" from Misses Lizzie and Katie Allen; reclining cross, inscribed "Uncle," from Miss Theresa Allen; bunch of cala lilies, from the Sheahan family; 35 pinks, representing age of deceased, from the Misses Cooney; standing cross, from Michael Gookin and family; pillow of roses, Hon. J. E. Drury and family; broken lyre, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Cluin; wreath, Nathan D. Pratt; crescent, star and bar, inscribed "Dear Friend," from Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Baxter; reclining anchor, inscribed "Friend," ex-Alderman George Tilton; vacant chair, Rep. Owen Donohue and family; standing wreath, Thomas J. Boyle and John Kinsela; wreath and scythe, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Dolan; standing anchor, 4 feet in height, inscribed "Dick," from Peter H. Donohue; crescent, inscribed "L. G. A.," from Lowell Grocers' association; spray of roses, George Bowers; standing crescent, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Emerson; cross, James Hearn; basket, Alice Flanders; wreath, Col. Carmichael; basket, Mr. and Mrs. William P. Foye; crescent, star and bar, W. J. Higgins; large cross, democratic city committee; spray of chrysanthemums, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Walker; large pillow, Court Middlesex, A. O. F. of A.; large wreath, P. Dempsey and family; an immense bank of ivy, four feet square, bordered with hyacinths, bearing five callas representing the number of members of the board with one drooping on a broken stem, from the Lowell water board; and a very beautiful gates ajar, surmounted by three doves, holding ribbons, opening gates of pinks, inscribed at base "Farewell Dick" from the employes of the water works and others.

The Church Services.

Shortly before nine o'clock this morning the funeral procession was formed at the residence on Nesmith street and proceeded to the Immaculate Conception church where the remains were borne tenderly down the center aisle and deposited on a catafalque at the altar rail by these bearers: John J. Cluin, Hugh McOsker, Robert J. Thomas, John E. Drury, Dr. William P. Lawler and Miles Brennan, close friends of the deceased.

A solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated by Very Rev. Dr. Allen, brother of the deceased, assisted by Rev. Fr. Joyce, O. M. I., deacon, Rev. Bernard J. Bradley of Mt. St. Mary's, Emmettsburg, Md., a relative, sub-deacon and Rev. Fr. McManus master of ceremonies. Within the sanctuary were Revs. Fr. O'Connell of Boston, Fr. Lyons of Manchester, and Frs. Wm. O'Brien, Rouan, Geason, Shaw, Burke, Gilday, McAvinue, O. M. I., Dorgan, O. M. I., Costello and Murphy, while among the large congregation present were a large number of students from Mt. St. Mary's college of which deceased was a warm friend.

Rev. Fr. Dacey, O.M.I., presided at the organ, and as the casket was borne into the church rendered a funeral march. The church choir directed by Prof. P. P. Haggerty, rendered the Gregorian plain chant. At the offertory, Miss Mabel Ware sang feelingly the beautiful "Pie Jesu." The Libera was sung by the full choir, Prof. Haggerty sustained the solo parts. At the conclusion of mass Mr. T. F. Molloy rendered the touching hymn, "I love to hear my Saviour's voice," and while the funeral procession wended its way from the altar "Nearer my God to Thee" was rendered on the organ.

The funeral cortege which was one of the largest ever known in the city proceeded to the Catholic cemetery where when the last sad rites of the church had been read, all that was mortal of a true, upright and honest citizen was consigned to the grave.

FUNERAL SERVICES.

SOMES—The funeral of William E. Somes occurred yesterday afternoon from his late home, 167 East Merrimack street, services being conducted by Rev. R. A. Greene. A large delegation of Knights of Pythias was present and the bearers were members of the order. Interment was in the Edson cemetery.

MCLENNON—Rev. Robert Court conducted services over the remains of Mary K. McLennon at her late home, 41 Grand street, yesterday afternoon. The remains were sent to Berry, P. Q., for interment.

ALGER—The remains of the late E. A. Alger who died in Cambridge, arrived in this city yesterday and were interred in the Lowell cemetery.

FLEMINGS—John Flemings, aged 93 years, a former resident of this city, died Monday in Lawrence. The remains were interred in the Edson cemetery in this city.

RYAN—The funeral of the late Mrs. Annie Ryan took place from the family residence, 51 Kidder street. The remains were taken to St. Peter's church where a high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. Fr. McKenna. The choir directed by T. F. Molloy rendered Schmids' requiem mass. The pall bearers were Messrs. P. J. Maguire, Martin H. Maguire, John Connors of Fitchburg and James Eagan of West Fitchburg. After the service at the church the funeral cortege proceeded to the Catholic cemetery where the interment was made. Deceased was the wife of Patrick Ryan, and besides her husband leaves a father, mother, one sister and one child.

The Jeweler's Association.

J. D. Grant is president, C. W. Durant secretary, and John J. Cluin treasurer of the Middlesex County Jeweler's association.

A meeting of the retail jewelers of the state will be held in Boston, shortly, and an association will be formed. This association will seek legislation compelling all manufacturers to stamp upon every article the degree of its fineness, by karet marks

Cornered.

Yes, we have been cornered at the old stand for just 10 years this Xmas, but our present display of holiday goods beats all previous efforts. The U. S. Tea Co., corner Central and Prescott streets.

THE SUN EXTRA

6 O'CLOCK

UNJUSTIFIABLE CUT IN WAGES

SAY THE WORKMEN AT CARNEGIE'S FOUNDRIES.

They Will Probably Accept It, However, Or Be Discharged Next Week.

By Associated Press to THE SUN.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 29—The scale for 1895 was yesterday presented to workmen at the Carnegie Steel company's mills in this city.

The scale involves a general reduction in skilled labor. In many instances the decrease of wages will amount to 50 per cent.

The workmen say the cut is unjustifiable, but that they will be obliged to submit to it.

Those who do not sign the new scale by Jan. 1 will be discharged. It is expected to resume work Jan. 2.

JAMES G. FAIR IS DEAD.

Bonanza King of the Pacific Slope Succumbs to An Attack of Asthma.

By Associated Press to THE SUN.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 29.—Ex-Senator James G. Fair, the bonanza king and multi-millionaire, died of asthma at 11.45 o'clock last night in the Lick house.

Fair was worth $50,000,000 at least. His son, Charles, whom he recently disinherited was with him at his death.

KILLED AT A FIRE.

Battalion Chief of the New York Department Was One of the Victims.

By Associated Press to THE SUN.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Battalion Chief John J. Breslin and Assistant Foreman John J. Rooney were killed at a fire at 120 West Twenty-fourth street at 6 o'clock this morning.

The fire was in Cassidy & Sons' gas fixture factory, running through to Twenty-third street. The damage is about $50,000.

Breslin and Rooney were killed while working on the fourth floor. The fifth floor fell upon them and buried them in the ruins. Their bodies have not yet been recovered.

THEATRICAL NEWS.

Those two ponderous actors, John C. Stewart, weight 303 pounds, and John Hart, 312 pounds, in their original creations of the Two Johns, opened an engagement at the Opera house this afternoon, and will repeat it this evening. If you want to see a funny show you should not miss this.

At Music Hall.

Tonight will be the last chance to see "A Brave Woman" at this family resort. Next Monday the company will appear in the "Boy Detective" with Thomas and Watson as the major and the jud ge.

Stoddard on the Passion Play.

It can be confidently looked forward to, that John L. Stoddard will reach his highest flights of eloquence and descriptive language in the Passion Play of Oberammergau, at the Opera house Monday night. In delivering this lecture at Chicago it is said that Mr. Stoddard moved his audience to tears so vivid was his descriptions.

Comical Dan Daly.

Those who remember Dan Daly in Upside Down, Vacation and other burlesques of a decade ago of course knew Dan Daly. Since he has been in comic opera he has cut a big swath. In Davy Jones as "Shea" he amused Lowell people. Next Tuesday he will be here in "After the Ball."

Good Luck to Justin.

Mr. Justin Edwards, for many years with the Talbot Chemical & Dyewood company, at the Middle street office has been admitted to the firm of Gilbert Bros., manufacturing chemists of 204 Purchase street, Boston, and he severed his Lowell connections today. Everyone will wish Mr. Edwards the best of success in his advancement. The firm of which he becomes a member has a factory at Newton Upper Falls.

P. and O. Stock For Sale.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 29.—The city of Portland, which owns a controlling interest in the Portland and Ogdensburg railroad, has decided to sell 2500 shares of stock at the market value, which is at present quoted at 46½.

Will Act Together.

BERLIN, Dec. 29.—The Cologne Gazette asserts that England and Germany have agreed for concerted action on the part of the British and German fleets in Chinese waters in the event of a rising or an emergency.

Stories Discredited.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—It is stated at the Brazilian legation that no news has been received of the alleged rioting in Rio de Janeiro and that the stories are not believed to be true.

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THE LAWTON WILL CASE

ITS PRELIMINARY HEARING ON BEING CONTESTED HELD.

Relatives of the Late Patrick Lawton Want the First Will, Favoring St. Peter's Church, Disallowed.

The continued hearing in the contested will case of Patrick Lawton was called in the probate court yesterday morning. The previous hearing was held in Cambridge and at that time John H. Morrison, Esq., who appeared for the legatee, the two daughters of the late Patrick Lawton, presented his testimony. It was expected that the other side represented by Lawyers John C. Burke and James F. Corbett would offer his evidence yesterday but such was not the case. So far as the testimony at the first hearing is concerned, it goes to show that there are two wills involved and the legal contest is over the establishment of one or the other. In the first will the bulk of the late Mr. Lawton's money is left to St. Peter's church, while in the second his two daughters are named as his heirs.

Yesterday no opposition was offered to the motion to allow the second will, thus disallowing the first. The court granted the motion. But yesterday's action was a mere formality and as soon as the motion was allowed, Lawyers Burke and Corbett appealed their case to the Supreme Judicial court, without offering any testimony. The case may be called in the Supreme court next May.

The action of Messrs. Burke and Corbett was rather a surprise to the opposing counsel, who, it is said, expected that some testimony would be offered. So, as the matter stands now, Messrs. Burke and Corbett are in possession of the testimony of the legatees and their witnesses and have succeeded in keeping their side of the case a secret to the legatees, counsel.

The first will was made by Mr. Lawton on Friday, Aug. 17, and named Rev. Fr. McKenna as executor. It provides for the payment of $10 each to his daughters, Mary Green of Nashua and Bridget Tweed of this city, and $100 each to his grand daughters, Essie Green and Etta Tweed. To Bridget Nugent, who nursed him during his sickness, he bequeathed $50, and the remainder he left to Rev. Ronan for the use of the new St. Peter's church. His watch and chain he ordered given to Wm. Powers.

The following day the old man was removed from his place of residence to the home of his daughter, Bridget Tweed, and another will was drawn up on the same day and signed by the old man on Monday. By its provisions, all his personal property is left to his daughters Bridget Tweed and Mary Green, who are also appointed executrices of the will. He revokes and cancels all previous wills especially the one made Aug. 17, and requests the executrices to pay over to St. Peter's church such sum as they deem prudent. It is out of these two conflicting wills that the contest for possession of the money which amounts to about $7500, grows.

After the decision was rendered in the court, a Mail reporter called at St. Peter's parochial residence, stated he had the other side of the case and that he wanted what "St. Peter's church had to say."

He stated his errand to Rev. Fr. McKenna who referred him to Lawyer Corbett, who has charge of the case for Rev. Fr. Ronan.

The reporter apparently thought this would be too much trouble for him and he was determined to make the reverend gentleman talk.

With this object in view he adopted the timeworn method of hinting that he had something very damaging from the other side and that from a desire to be fair he wanted a statement from the representatives of St. Peter's church.

When he found his ruse did not work he became insulting and when Rev. Fr. McKenna cautioned him against publishing anything libellous he asked "do you threaten me?"

"I do not threaten you" said Fr. McKenna, "but I merely caution you."

"I don't understand you then" replied the reporter.

"I can't give you understanding" responded the clergyman.

"You insult me" said the reporter, "you are not a gentleman?"

At this point Rev. Fr. McKenna pointed him to the door and ordered him to get out quickly, and he did so.

He did not succeed despite his insulting demeanor in getting either of the clergymen to tell their side of the case. It has not yet been told, but will be given in the Supreme court.

Some reporters think they have the right to compel a man to talk whether he is willing or not. When they use the threat of publishing something damaging or when they become insulting as in this case, they should be shown the door just as was the Mail man who tried to bulldoze Rev. Fr. McKenna.

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THE COUNTRY will suffer if a good currency bill be not passed before congress adjourns.

THE CITY government of Lawrence is to wind up with a banquet, that of Lowell will close with a mock session as usual.

THE OLD plan of finding the murderer photographed in the eye of the victim has been often tried but never with success. It is a plausible myth.

WHAT KIND of a legacy will the present city government leave to its successor? A new bridge to build, plenty of loans to pay, and a high tax rate to reduce.

MUNICIPAL CORRUPTION is liable to exist under our very eyes, if we do not look under the surface. New York has made every citizen suspicious of secret wrong doing.

SOME OF the "doctors" who will go out of business with the taking effect of the new law will put out a shingle as dentists. They will have to be driven from that field also or they will tear the jaws off their unsuspecting victims.

THE BOARD of registrars is to petition for an increase of salary. With the increase in the number of voters and the additional precincts and especially on account of the change in numbers throughout the city the work of the registrars was more than double what it would be ordinarily. This is the ground on which the claim is based and it seems quite reasonable.

TODAY, THOSE who knew and respected Richard B. Allen in life, participated in the sad ceremonies at his grave. The floral tributes piled upon his bier expressed the sorrow at his death, the love and the tender sentiment that words can never speak. He was a man beloved and esteemed by all who knew him, a man admired for his rugged integrity in every station it was his lot to fill.

PROTECTING PUBLIC HEALTH.

The farmers of all the country around are up in arms against the tuberculin test and what it leads to.

The state authorities have inaugurated a crusade against this disease in cattle knowing the dangers to the public health resulting from the use of milk or beef from cattle affected with the disease.

A quarantine has been established. The work of using the tuberculin test has been commenced way down on the Cape and is being prosecuted by the state inspectors with assiduity. It will be two years however at the present rate of progress before all the cattle of the state have been examined. By that time the disease will undoubtedly have crept into the quarantine district and a new examination will be necessary.

In point of fact the banishment of tuberculosis will be far more difficult and perhaps as expensive as the crusade against the gypsy moth, the presence of which was but slightly felt in a very few places in the state.

Tuberculin is the poison of the bacilli of tuberculosis just as alcohol is the poison of germs produced in the fermentation of which alcohol is the product. When injected into a cow which is not affected by tuberculosis there is no bacilli to be destroyed and the test has no effect. But if the bacilli are there they succumb to the poison and the result is a derangement of the animal system which is easily noticeable. If the poison could kill the bacilli outright that would end the matter; but the animal would be killed first. The farmers claim that this test is unjust, that it leads to the condemnation of cows that are almost sound physically and that it is not reliable as a test. As it is but a dozen years since the tuberculin theory was first applied, it is possible that there may be some deception in its application. Dr. Koch was said to have discovered a cure for consumption on the same theory; but it did not prove effective. If that be so, the farmers claim that there may be an equal error of judgment in regard to tuberculin.

Whether this be true or not, the farmers want only the full value of the cattle killed under this tuberculosis crusade.

If they were paid the full market value, they would probably import all the old cows they could secure and would welcome the test. They would also like to have the privilege of appraising the cows thus killed by the state officials. It is difficult if not impossible to detect the presence of tuberculosis bacilli in milk and the bacilli in beef are destroyed by being heated to 167 degrees Fahrenheit. Any germs in milk, and there are usually about 40,000 in each drop, are destroyed by being heated to the same temperature, viz: 167 degrees F.

If milk were thus stirilized, it is probable that the death rate among children would be greatly reduced. Sterilized milk would also be a great benefit to the sick as it is difficult to get unsterilized milk that is entirely pure or safe to drink.

This is a matter to which Inspector Allen has given much attention. He has advised the boiling of water and the sterilization of milk before drinking, and if his advice were followed there would be fewer deaths and less work for undertakers.

The farmers are to appeal to the next legislature for a change in the law, but it is likely that their agitation will only have the effect of causing the law to be made more stringent in the interest of the public health.

THERE IS a little arithmetical problem to be figured out in the New York investigation. It is this: If an officer gets three years for accepting a bribe of four baskets of oranges, how many years should a man receive for receiving $15,000 or for levying tribute annually for protection for wrongdoing? Let us see. That is a problem in simple proportion. It will be everything but simple to the culprits.

A POLICE inspector's position in New York was as good as a cinch on a little gold mine. To get $6,000 in perquisites yearly was certainly a boon to a man who had less than $2000 salary. Had an income tax been levied on such men, wonder how much of their incomes they would acknowledge.

MR. JOHN A. NICHOLS of this city is out again on a lecture tour, this time with a brand new illustrated lecture on the Slums of New York. He rivals Stoddard in catering to public taste and curiosity.

TO PLAY THE DEVIL.

A Story of the Days of the Miracle Plays of Long Ago.

Many a familiar phrase may be traced to the old miracle plays. "To play the devil" is one of them. Naturally the devil played a most prominent part in those old world dramas whereof the Oberammergau passion play is now almost the sole survival. And when these old plays gave way to the moralities his satanic majesty was felt to be far too important a personage to be dropped. The devil, too, could and did tear a passion to tatters. He was paid for it, but none too well paid if we may judge from a veteran pay sheet, where we read: "Paid to Herod, 8s. 4d.; item to Pilate, his wife, 2s.; item to the devil, 1s. 6d."

We know not how much guerdon was received by a certain John Adroyns, to whom it once fortuned to "play the dyvyll" at a certain market town in Suffolk when the seventh Henry ruled this realm. But even if he played gratis he had some fun for his pains, for as he trudged homeward after dusk in his devil's apparel he stumbled on the curate of his parish and two or three other unthrifts rabbit poaching. The poachers mistook him for the genuine article and took to their heels, leaving behind them a horse laden with conies. John Adroyns mounts the horse and rides off to inform the lord of the rabbit warren, thinking to be thanked for restoring the plunder. But first one servant and then the other, after a peep at him, runs away to tell the master of the house that the devil is at the door, sitting on a horse laden with souls, and "by likelihood he is come for your soul. Purpose ye to let him have your soul? And if he had it I wean he would be gone."

On hearing these words from the fourth frightened servant the master called his chaplain and bade him get bell, book and candle and go with him to the door. To the door they went with as many servants as durst at their heels. And the chaplain bade the boreman in the name of the Holy Trinity tell his errand, whereupon John Adroyns made answer: "Fear not me, for I am a good devil. I am John Adroyns, your neighbor, that played the devil today in the play. I bring my master a dozen or two of his own conies and the horse of the thieves who for fear ran away." And so, knowing his voice, "they unspared the door and let him in, and the aforesaid fear was turned to mirth and sport."—Macmillan's Magazine.

Encouraging.

Consumptive (in Colorado)—Is this room well situated for an invalid?

Landlady—It couldn't be better. I've had three consumptives here the past year, and they liked it so well that not one left until he died.—Life.

Not Necessary.

Briggs—Gamble doesn't dress so well as he used to.

Griggs—He doesn't have to. He's doubled his income.—Clothier and Furnisher.

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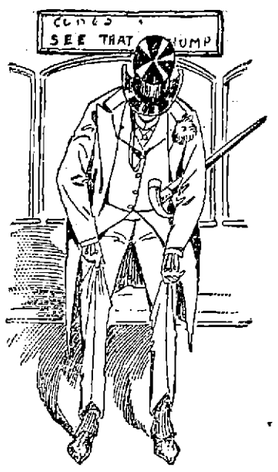

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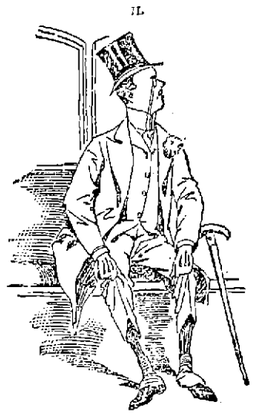

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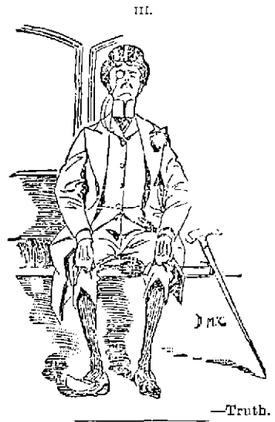

—Truth.

Backwoods Diplomacy.

A man who has just returned from a hunting trip in the forests of northern Maine vouches for the entire truth of the following story, as he had it direct from the sheriff:

A man who lives in the Mount Katahdin region went into the office of a justice of the peace a few days since and inquired about the penalty for hunting deer with dogs, and very particularly as to whether one-half the fine did not go to the informer.

The justice consulted the game laws and assured him that it did.

"Very well," said the man. "I want to complain of myself and settle."

The justice could not back out, and so gave the transgressor "a clean bill of health" upon payment of one-half of the penalty.

It seems that the man got wind of the fact that a game warden had got the "drop" on him on his deer poachings with his dogs and was only waiting an opportunity to arrest him; hence his shrewd bit of diplomacy.—Portland Argus.

For Economy.

The waiter had their orders.

"Dearest," he whispered, "do you really mean it when you say you will be mine?"

She was a bit impatient.

"Fitz Maurice," she replied, "did I not just this moment say plain stew when I might have said terrapin?"

That was certainly conclusive.—Detroit Tribune.

A Wrong Idea.

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"Why, bless me," said the sufferer, "I thought you came to apologize."—Tit-Bits.

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WINTER WEAR FOR WOMEN.

At the right is a heavy diagonal serge English tailor suit of gray with a double cape and high turn down collar. The skirt and cape have white silk embroidery. In the center is a prune brocaded satin gown with a three-quarter mantle of prune velvet trimmed with Alaska sable. At the left is a tailor suit of dark drab covert suiting.

We see but little really novel this week, with the exception of some odd fancies in madeup furs and a few new designs in clonks and capes, but these are beautiful enough to make up for the lack of many other things. One quiet and elegant little cape of close Persian, which reached just below the waist, was shown me the other day. There was a cape collar over this, made so that the upper portion was perfectly flat, while the edges rounded up in a flare, like a bell. Above this was a turn-down collar, just meeting at the throat.

There was another, intended for a young lady, of mink fur, cut in plain circular shape, with a flat collar. This was very

NOVELTIES IN FURS.

full, so that it hung in heavy folds all around. These, however, though very pretty, were not special novelties like the victorine, made entirely of mink tails, with a roll collar as the only solid piece of fur about it. There were 57 tails used to make this victorine. There was another curiously shaped collarette of black fur. That part which encircled the neck extended down the front like two long cravat ends, and they were passed through a slide of fur that gave the appearance of being tied like a man's necktie. At the lower edge of this there was a sprung collar about 6 inches wide.

These two novelties were very dressy and pretty. There was a neckscarf of black Alaska sable about 4 inches wide through the middle portion. Toward the ends the fur widened to 6 inches and was cut slanting on the ends, and it finished off with two tails to each end. It crossed over and fastened with a hook and eye. There was a victorine of a yellow fur combined with black Persian. The upper portion and collar were of Persian, and all around the edges the yellow fur was set in with deep vandyke points. It was very showy.

Black Persian and astrakhan are combined with ermine and chinchilla in many little capes and collarettes, and they are very pretty. The Eton jacket of fur is quite a rage among those who have slim figures. The black Persian and moire astrakhan are prettier than any other for this purpose. The undyed Persian looks clumsy for some reason.

Furs are treated differently this year from any style ever before seen. Sealskin and other furs are made into bows and loops, plaited and puffed. I scarcely like to see them arranged in this way, but others may like them. The Eton jackets are made to button closely and are double or single breasted, as each lady may prefer. If they are double breasted, they have sharp revers and collar and are slightly open at the neck. The single breasted style buttons or closes invariably to the chin, and there is a choker collar. I saw one black Persian double breasted Eton with immense revers of sealskin. The sleeves were of the Persian, with small pointed cuffs of the sealskin. This was very rich and effective.

Almost every tailor made gown has a small line of fur around the skirt. Some have two or three. I admired one very much. The skirt was of a gray blue covert cloth, and around the bottom there were three very narrow bands of black Persian, and two a trifle wider were carried up the skirt to the waist line. With this was worn one of the Eton jackets such as I have been describing.

One would think that sealskin was a very difficult material to embroider, but it is possible, and the effect of such manipulation is extremely rich. I saw a princess shaped sealskin coat reaching quite to the ground. It was lapped to the left and fastened with three large buttons, one set exactly at the waist and one above and one below. There were large revers of the seal richly embroidered in shaded brown silks, for the most part in the dull bronze shades. This was raised high by means of some kind of padding under the stitches. The revers collar and cuffs were all decorated in this way. The sleeves were gigot and laid in thick plaits. The whole garment was beautiful. So was the sum it cost—namely, $1,850. But that does not seem so very much to those who are able to buy such superb garments. I saw a cape which reached but little below the waist that cost $7,500. It was of Russian sable and lined with imperial ermine. I wonder if the wearers take $7,500 worth of comfort out of such expensive things? I think I would like to try.

Some women would be quite as happy in a new winter cape that was sold last week. It was military form, but reached to below the knees and was lined with faille of a deep cardinal and interlined with the wadded canton flannel now used for such purposes in place of the quilted silk used before. This cape was made of heavy ottoman silk, and all around the edge there was an appliqué of sealskin cut out in scallops. There was an application of fancy black soutache, with picot edges set on as a heading and forming triple loops. This trimming went all around, up the front and around the neck. The collar was of sealskin, and the fur along the fronts was made considerably deeper than that on the bottom.

It is one of the curiosities of fashionable life that, while the warmest furs and thickest dresses are in season, the thinnest and flimsiest of lace and other airy fabrics are seen, muffs and tippets for day, tulle and fans for evening. Here also one finds the devotees of fashion engaged in a wild search after the new. The choice of delicate and ethereal stuffs is a wide one this season. The black tulle and net covered with spangles and pendants make enchanting gowns, fit for fairy queens. There are pale pink, blue and maize crepe lisse gowns that are as light as summer clouds, and they float in the most graceful of curves. Crepe lisse and chiffon are both exquisitely beautiful for evening for the

VISITING COSTUMES.

young. In fact, they are so lovely and they add so much of delicacy to the wearer that half the elderly women have taken to wearing one or the other in the form of lavish draperies on the waist and sleeves of their grand toilets. Even velvet waists are arranged with such garniture and have sleeves that are as fluffy and almost as voluminous as a ballet girl's skirts.

In my pilgrimages last week I found an odd gown which was kept hidden from public eye until the proper person should come in. And, by the way, the dressmakers have certain customers who always have the pick and choice of the imported gowns, and the dressmaker, knowing the taste and special requirements of each, keeps back one of the garments at her own risk until the customer comes in. This dress was lying in wait, so to speak, for the unwary.

It was of a pepper and salt green, if I may use that expression. The goods were thick and raised in a curious manner, and the general color was a muddy green. The sleeves were shirred in two places about 2 inches wide, which left three full puffs, the upper one being very full and large. The other two were smaller and closer. At the wrist there was a little ruffle formed by the shirring of the material. There were perhaps ten rows of threads of the shirring which formed the cuff part, and the others had three or four. The waist was gathered full on the shoulders, and from the bust down it was shirred closely in a manner which fitted it to the figure. There was a small point in front and back, and to define it there was a draped moire ribbon ending in two full rosettes, one at each side of the waist. On the right shoulder there was set a sharp little bow of green moire of a soft, mossy shade. The collar was a stock of draped velvet of a deep wine color, with two buckles of an opalescent metal. The skirt was full and fluted, but not too wide, and at the bottom there was left in, one inch above the edge, a narrow fold of the wine colored velvet not over an eighth of an inch wide. The whole gown was lined with old gold faille. The finish and exactness of every stitch of this gown were a delight to the eye. There was a double ruffle of old rose and moss green taffeta, both pinked, set in under the skirt, so that the two edges almost showed. I wonder who will get that dress. Whoever does will pay $175 for it. It is unique in a way, as so far I have never seen any of the material anywhere of which it is made. It is as soft as crepon, thick as cheviot and both rough and smooth at the same time. I don't believe that such material was ever woven, and imagine that it must be some freak of nature, and that it just "growed," like Topsy.

The new fans for this season are not very large nor too small, but are of exquisite workmanship. Some have inlaid ebony and ivory sticks, with delicate tracery of gold and flowers formed of mother of pearl or enamel. There are some feather fans, but not as many as there should be, as they are always dainty and graceful. The most of the others are made of gauze and crepe. Sometimes one will be seen

WINTER CAPE.

made of black lace drawn smoothly over white crepe lisse or white lace over some light colored silk. Some of the black fans are spangled, and I noticed one with a fringe of spangles which rattled sharply with every motion.

I was told in a private letter from Paris that there are to be worn many wide moire sash ribbons. They will not be tied nor looped, but made up into flat bows with long ends, and these will be fastened to the waist. The long ends are to be left free. The exact position where these bows are to be set is not fixed. They may be on one side or the other, directly in front, in the back, or set up at the bust line, if so desired, but the bow and ends must be there. I should have said that all these bows are black.

This same letter says that the princess shape of dress will be a vogue in Paris at least and adds that many are now being privately shown as models where all the trimming and whole general plan of the middle age gowns are closely followed. They all have demitrains. Perhaps this is intended to follow the Gismonda costumes, and, if so, the designers make no mistake. I saw Fanny Davenport in her play of that name and was struck then by the wonderful grace and beauty of the costumes she wears. Two of them are en princesse, and they are superb. One was of a delicate old rose embroidered all over with flower-de-luce in blue pearl beads. The sleeves and corsage were trimmed with a network and fringe of the beads, and down the right side there was a cascade of the same.

The other dress was a white one cut princess, with loose draperies of lace covered with gold spangles hanging from the shoulders.

Darker and heavier goods than these, however, are also made in this style, and the princess gown is seen not seldom upon the streets now. MATE LEROY.

Irish Trade.

The value of Irish exports last year was $1,022,235 and of imports $44,094,480.

Signs of the Weather.

The "old weather lore," founded on natural appearances, is the only true weather guide. Old sailors and shepherds, whose lives are continuously spent in the open air, have always been considered the most "weatherwise" from their daily observance of the appearances of the sky. So far as my own experience goes, I have observed that a dappled or "mackerel sky—never long dry," as the old proverb says—is a pretty sure forerunner of a speedy downfall. Light, fleecy morning clouds are another sign of rain. Another well known appearance is "Noah's ark," which is when the clouds represent the shape of the hulk of a ship, and if the ends point in the quarter of the prevailing wind it is a certain sign that rain will speedily follow.

A very pale blue evening sky and sickly flickering stars are an invariable sign that we shall have rain on the morrow. With regard to approaching storms, I have always found a very glittering, sunny day, having a peculiar glare, to be the precursor of a storm, and a hazy circle round the moon is an indication of stormy weather. We are told by scientific meteorologists that no one can tell the state of weather which we are to have for more than 48 hours, and this I firmly believe.—Yorkshire (England) Herald.

Prepared to Do His Duty.

The prosecuting attorney in a western Kansas village had been out with the boys the night before and taken a leading part in a free fight, in which one saloon had been cleaned out and considerable damage done to the glassware and fixtures in another.

In the pursuance of his regular duty as an official he appeared before the police magistrate the next morning, fully sobered and ready for business. In front of him was a stack of lawbooks, and he held in his hand a warrant for his own arrest on the charge of drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

"Your honor," he said, rising and addressing the court with emphasis and deliberation, "as village attorney I am here to prosecute this case, and as defendant," he added, jabbing a long bowie knife into the table and laying a huge navy revolver down by the side of it, "I am here, sir, to defend myself!"

"Enter a nolle pros., Mr. Ferguson," said the magistrate hastily.—Chicago Tribune.

The Age and the Name.

A Detroit young man, with a fancy for horseflesh and a knowledge of the same not commensurate therewith, some time ago went horse hunting on his own responsibility and picked up what he thought was a cracker jack. He was a Blue Grass hess and was as lively as a cricket, so lively, in fact, that the young man was sure he had a 3-year-old. Several days after the purchase, and he had been showing the horse around and crowing over him, he met the colored man who had had charge of him.

"By the way, Sam," he said, "what's the horse's name?"

"Lexin'ton, sah."

"Does he know it?"

"I spec' he do, sah," said Sam innocently; "he's had it for 18 yeahs, sah."—Detroit Free Press.

A Needless Inquiry.

"What was the principal object of interest in America when you were there?"

The eminent British novelist looked at his questioner with chilling scorn and replied:

"I was, of course."—Washington Star.

CHINESE TREATY

Terms on Which Chinese Can Enter America.

THERE ARE IRON CLAD RULES TO BE OBSERVED.

Collectors of Ports Ordered to Report Weekly.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The regulations for the return to the United States of Chinese laborers, as provided for by the recent treaty between this country and China, have been completed by the secretary of the treasury. Under the regulations, a Chinese laborer who has resided and registered in the United States and departed therefrom, and who may have a lawful wife, child or parent in this country, or property therein of the value of $100, or debts of like amount due him, will be permitted to return, provided that before departing he deposits with the collector of customs of the district in which he resides, or with the nearest customs officer, a certificate of registration from the internal revenue collector, and a full description of his family, property or debts.

The papers must be accompanied by three photographs of the laborer, and the statement submitted by him, if found to be correct, will be certified by the collector of customs. The papers, with the photographs, are to be transmitted to the collector of customs of the port from which the Chinese person is to depart, and who is to return to the country

Via the Port of Departure.

The certified description of the Chinaman will be filed in the office of the collector at the port of exit as a means of identification.

The return to the United States must be within one year from the date of departure, unless sickness or other disability prevents, in which event the facts are required to be identified by the Chinese consul at the port from which the Chinese person may depart for the United States.

A certificate will be issued to the laborer on his departure which will not contain a description of the person to whom issued, but which will refer to the identification papers by number. This will obviate the sale or exchange of certificates and render the identification of the returning Chinese certain.

Collectors at ports of exit will be required to transmit to the treasury department weekly reports of Chinese leaving their respective ports, giving the name, local residence and occupation of such persons. The collectors will also be required to cancel all certificates of returning Chinese and to forward the same to the treasury, where records are to be kept on forms specially provided for the purpose.

The certificates to be issued will be especially numbered and issued by the department to collectors on requisition therefor, an account being kept in each instance, and collectors will be required to exercise unusual care in all matters pertaining to it.

Scare Spreads to Manchester.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 29.—The sentence of Joseph Labine, the Nashua saloon keeper, for violation of an injunction granted under the nuisance act, created consternation in this city, where some liquor dealers, among them some of the most prominent saloon keepers, have signed agreements similar to that signed by Labine, and who are, consequently, in the same legal status.

Frightened by State Troops.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Dec. 29.—The agitation over the death of Detective Murray, which threatened to find expression in violence, has quieted down. The state troops were called out to protect the jail where the negro murderer, Jabez Wiggins, is confined, and the display of military force had the effect of deterring the would-be lynchers from putting in an appearance.

Arbitrators' Decision Doesn't Count.

MASSILLON, O., Dec. 29.—The Massillon miners have refused to abide by the decision of the board of arbitration fixing the rate for mining at 60 cents a ton. The settlement was denounced as an outrage upon the miners. A joint meeting of operators and miners was favored, the mines to remain closed until after such a meeting is held.

Torpedoes For Cruisers.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 29.—Orders were received at the torpedo station yesterday to ship 12 Whitehead torpedoes for the cruiser Olympia, now at San Francisco. This is the largest outfit ever placed on board a man-of-war. The second largest consists of eight to be placed on the San Francisco when she comes here.

Sadly Afflicted.

COBALT, Conn., Dec. 29. — Nathaniel Bownes' family has been nearly exterminated by scarlet fever. The fourth child died last night. The father is believed to be dying and another child is very low. The Spencer family, in the same house, are all sick, two dangerously.

Cornwell Pleads Guilty.

BROCKTON, Mass., Dec. 29.—Benjamin Cornwell was arraigned yesterday for assault on Albert Pierce of Bridgewater on Christmas day with intent to kill. Cornwell pleaded guilty, and in default of bail for $3000 was committed to await the action of the grand jury.

To Be Consolidated.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 29.—James A. Bailey, Nate Salsbury and W. F. Cody have agreed to consolidate the Wild West and Forepaugh shows next season, with a capital of $1,000,000. The new partners will have no interest in the Barnum & Bailey show.

Not a Murder.

TORRINGTON, Conn., Dec. 29.—Coroner Higgins' finding in the case of Alexander Beger, who was found dying near the railroad track, with clean cut fractures in his head, was death by being struck by an engine. The theory of murder had been entertained.

An Incendiary's Work.

MOBILE, Dec. 29.—The Alba place on the Bay Shell road, one of the finest mansions in the south, was destroyed by fire last night. Loss, $50,000. A number of cattle, hogs, etc., were roasted to death. The fire was of incendiary origin.

Marlboro Finances.

MARLBORO, Mass., Dec. 29.—The city council adopted recommendations for appropriations for '95, the largest items being: Contingent fund, $5000; fire department, $10,500; police, $6000; poor department, $12,000; school, $50,000; street lights, $3000; water, $3000; highways, all, $23,925; salaries, $8960; sinking funds, $60,760.

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Domestic Bread, Cake and Pastry.
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PROMPT DENIALS

From Inspector Williams in Face of Charges.

COMMISSIONER MARTIN MAKES A FEARLESS WITNESS.

He Hands His Bank Books to Lawyer Goff.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—When the Lexow committee began operations yesterday there seemed to be a lull in the interest manifested by the public during the previous sittings of the commission, but before Mr. Goff had got well under way the courtroom rapidly filled, and there was the usual throng of spectators.

Inspector Williams again faced Mr. Goff and resumed his hard, dry denials of ever having received any money or bribes of any description. He said that he never got a dollar from illegitimate sources outside of his salary while in charge of the "tenderloin" or any other precinct.

He told a peculiar story of a magnanimous brokerage firm from which he got some $5000 or $6000 made on speculations for which he was not required to put up a dollar. The firm was Fliess & Hoy, 417 Broadway, and Fliess has been connected for a long time with the famous Hollywood Whisky company. Inspector Williams claimed to have only about $6000 in the banks, and he stated that he did not know how much his wife has at the present time.

He got very angry when questioned about his wife's diamonds, particularly a diamond cross, which Mr. Goff said came from a woman of ill-repute. "I never saw such a thing, and I brand the statement as a lie," he said.

Mr. Goff kept probing him about presents, and spoke of the grand jury of 1883 that made a presentment to the effect that Williams was manifestly unfitted for the police department. His ignorance of the gambling houses and their operations in the tenderloin was marvelous, but he had evidently made up his mind to deny everything and did so unflinchingly.

He claimed not to be worth more than $40,000 outside of his residence. Once, when he was hard pressed by Mr. Goff, the latter said: "You are losing your temper." Williams replied: "No, I am sitting on a cake of ice," but he

Did Not Look Very Cool.

His whole examination was a series of denials, and he insisted that any and everybody who accused him of wrongdoing lied. He faced the music bravely until the moment when Mr. Goff said: "That's all."

Captains Delaney and Ryan when put on the stand were so badly rattled that the committee and spectators alike were relieved when both men were excused.

One of the most clear and reserved witnesses who has yet testified turned up in the person of Police Commissioner James J. Martin. He answered every question put to him so frankly as to leave the impression of the truth of his statements. Unlike Commissioner Sheehan, he replied to all questions without the slightest hesitation, and very much unlike his brother commissioner, he produced his bankbooks, checks and checkbooks, and handed them to Mr. Goff.

He explained how difficult it was for the commissioners to find out men who accepted bribes, and said that they had to depend upon Superintendent Byrnes to ferret out the members of the force who accepted blackmail. He claimed that he never procured substantial information, but did not make an investigation, as it would interfere with his subordinate, Byrnes. He disclaimed all knowledge of any man paying for an appointment on the force, or for promotion, and declared that by no act of his had he contributed to the state of affairs now in existence in this department.

He told Senator Lexow and the other commissioners that, in his opinion, the police department could not be run by a single head, as there would be vastly too much for one man to attend to.

Today will be Mr. Goff's last day as examiner for the Lexow committee, but it is thought that the senators will come back again to renew their attacks on corruption before the new year is many weeks old.

Comstock Talks Some More.

Anthony Comstock gave out a statement yesterday which is in reality a fierce attack upon John W. Goff. He said among other things: "I procured positive evidence against O. D. Gray, in the shape of policy slips and other things, but Goff quashed the case and returned Gray his outfit."

Mr. Comstock intimated that Mr. Goff's motives in taking this step were not proper. Continuing, he said: "Goff employs thieves, cutthroats and reprobates, and promises them protection if they will perjure themselves, which they do. A reputable citizen may be accused of every crime, but he is not granted any rights.

"The action of the Lexow committee is barbarous. Streep, who says he gave me $1000, is now under bail in Erie county, pending trial for selling green goods. I prosecuted him, yet he did not dare accuse me of taking money, because there is no truth in the charge."

Mr. Comstock said he was willing to appear before any body of reputable newspaper men or lawyers, but he did not expect justice from any body of investigators "who will accept testimony from confessed perjurers and guarantee them protection."

Closed as Free Ports.

COLON, Dec. 29.—Panama and Colon will on January next cease to be free ports. A decree has been issued, ordering that on and after that date a duty of 10 per cent ad valorem be collected on all imports.

Charged With Embezzlement.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—A. V. Chase, aged 56, of Worcester, was arrested in this city for the embezzlement of $3000 from W. H. Sawyer of Worcester in 1892. The prisoner was turned over to a Worcester officer.

Casualties Anticipated.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A heavy gale is prevailing in the Irish sea, and vessels are running for shelter. It is feared that some casualties will occur.

Settlement Endorsed.

BERLIN, Dec. 29.—Sixteen meetings of Socialists have ratified the agreement recently made for the settlement of the boycott against the breweries.

Looking For War?

RIO DE JANEIRO, Dec. 29.—The government has ordered $1,000,000 worth of war material from the Armstrongs.

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TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Newfoundland is in a pitiable plight financially.

New York weekly dry goods imports were $2,120,002.

John Dobbins of New York was killed by a train near Niantic, Conn.

Mary, wife of General Palmer, of Colorado Springs, died at Frant, Eng.

The mercury was 20 degrees below zero at St. Johnsbury, Vt., Thursday morning.

George Wilkinson, head of the Gorham Manufacturing company, Providence, is dead.

Eighteen of the employes of the United States Watch company at Waltham, Mass., were laid off.

The Brazilian minister of finance denies that the government intends to issue either cedulas or bank notes.

The residence and barn of Alden B. Briggs at Deerfield, Mass., valued at $12,000, were totally destroyed by fire.

Frank McGarrity, aged 11 years, of Somerville, Mass., fell off a train at Millville, and was run over and killed.

The state encampment of the New Hampshire department of the Grand Army will be held at Nashua, Feb. 5 and 6.

The city government of Gloucester, Mass., voted to put water meters in city buildings, owing to alleged excessive rates of water company.

The United States government demands reparation of China for the tortures inflicted on Japanese spies surrendered by an American cruiser.

A jury awarded $895 damages to Mrs. N. F. Hurley of Richmond, Mo., against the town of Bowdoinham, for injuries received on defective culvert.

The annual reunion of the Framingham Academy and High School Alumni association took place in the Plymouth church at Framingham Centre, Mass.

Much uneasiness is manifested among the citizens of Haverhill, Mass., on account of a firebug or firebugs in that city, and in consequence of several mysterious fires.

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NOTICE—Commencing January 1st we shall close our store Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings until further notice.
HORSE BLANKETS.—We got two bales of Woolen Horse Blankets from a mill that sold us their entire line of Sample Blankets, extra large size, very heavy quality, straps and Buckles. The price is about two-thirds the regular price. If you are in need of any it will be to your advantage to see these. $2, $2.50, $3, $3.50.
Merrimack Street—Basement.
BLACK GOODS DEPARTMENT.—Look at the prices, they tell the story. For the quality see them at the counter. Lot of remnants of Black Dress Goods from 38 to 52 inches wide, 39c. a yard. Lot of 22 inch Black Broadcloths; on the piece it is $1.50 a yard; the remnant price is 79c. a yard.
Palmer Street, Right Aisle.
NAPIER TOILET GOODS.—On the counter facing the Merrimack street entrance we have displayed articles manufactured by the Napier Chemical Co., and can recommend them. "None better made at any price." Lavender Cream, for Chapped hands, wounds, sprains, eczema, etc.; two sizes, 12c. and 38c. a jar. Spirits of Camphor, refined, large size 33c. bottle. Glycerine and Rose Water, two sizes, 13c. and 33c. bottle. Rose Water 13c. bottle. Saponaceous Tooth Powder only 25c. a bottle. English Essence Jamaica 19c. a bottle. English Essence Peppermint 19c. a bottle.
Merrimack Street, Front.
HOSIERY AND UNDERWEAR.—During the rush of Christmas business we rather neglected advertising this department. There are a great many bargains to be had here. Call before it is too late, as the lots are small. Ladies' Black Fleeced Hose, double toe and heel, 25c. Ladies' Black Fleeced Hose, ribbed top, double sole, 38c. Ladies' Black Silk Fleeced Hose, double toe and heel, extra good, 50c. Ladies' Fleeced Hose in tan, slate, and Balbriggan, 25c. and 35c. Children's Black Fleeced Hose, plain and ribbed, 15c, 25c, 38c. Ladies' Black Cashmere Hose, double toe and heel, very elastic, 42c, 50c, 75c. Ladies' Jersey Vests and Pants, combed Egyptian cotton, fleeced, gusset arm, extra heavy, long or short sleeves, 50c.
Merrimack Street, Left Aisle.

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231, 233, 235, 237 CENTRAL STREET.
GREAT CLEARANCE SALE
BEFORE STOCKTAKING.
Everything must be closed out immediately. The prices and values have not been considered in this great Mark-Down.
500 pairs White and Colored Blankets at 45c. a pair.
300 pairs White Woolen Blankets, worth $5, for $2.98 a pair.
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All our Handknit Woolen goods, such as Hoods, Fascinators, Leggings, Mittens, Shoulder Capes, Jackets and Skirts at greatly reduced prices.
1 Lot Men's Heavy Blue Ribbed Shirts, were $1.25, now 50c.
Men's Woolen Gloves, were 50c., now 25c. a pair.
All our Ladies', Gentlemen's and Children's Woolen Underwear and Hosiery at prices lower than ever.
1 Lot Red Table Damask, was 29c. a yard, now 19c. a yard.
1 Lot Red Table Damask, was 37½c. a yard, now 25c. a yard.
Misses' Woolen Dressas, sizes from 4 to 12 years, worth from $3.50 to $10 each, at from $1.50 to $4.98 each.
DRESS GOODS.
1 lot Parisian Novelties, were $10, $11, and $12.50, now $4.50, $5, and $6.

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Saturday, Dec. 29th.
Matinee at 2.30 P. M. Night at 8 P. M.
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Wednesday evening, advanced class and reception 7.30 to 11.
Wednesday afternoon, ladies class 2 to 5.
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Friday evening, beginners class 7.45 to 10.
Friday afternoon, young people (advanced).
Saturday afternoon, children beginners 2 to 2.30.
Saturday afternoon, children advanced 3.30 to 5.
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SUN WEATHER BULLETIN.

ALMANAC FOR SATURDAY, DEC. 29.

SUN RISES..... 7 15 | MOON SETS..... 8 41 PM
SUN SETS..... 4 20 | FULL SEA ..... 12 45 AM
LENGTH OF DAY.. 9 05 | ..... 12 45 PM

Forecast for New England: Generally fair; warmer; variable winds, becoming southwest.

LOCAL NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexis Lamarre are visiting in Canada.

Blankets only 45 cents a pair at Cook, Taylor & Co.'s, Central street. Read their advertisement.

Now is the time to buy stoves and oil heaters cheap. The place is J. J. Gaynor & Co.'s, 25 Prescott street.

Bible lands and bible peoples, will be the subject of an address by Supt. Whitcomb to the Union Bible class today.

Edward W. Parker, for 13 years sexton of the Paige street church has been presented a fine gold headed cane.

The young ladies who are to tend tables at the Burke's fair, met last night, and after talking over matters enjoyed a dance in the institute hall.

Don't cough from morning till night and from night till morning when you can buy a bottle of Ellingwood's Cough Balsam for a quarter that is sure to cure.

John McCullough, a lad of perhaps a dozen years, says he was knocked down and robbed of 22 cents on Jefferson street, yesterday afternoon, by a man.

"If it rain much" says an old proverb, "in the twelve days after Christmas, it will be a wet year." As it snowed after Christmas it is to be presumed that wet weather is imminent.

See what Lawler has to say in THE SUN today. He believes everybody should turn over a new leaf in keeping accounts, and better than that to start accounts in new books which he can furnish.

Additional prizes have been offered for the teams entered in the Lowell Reform club bowling tournament and the rivalry between the various teams, together with an additional incentive of an extra prize for the winning team, promises to make the games intensely interesting.

Whist Club Meeting.

The Lila whist club met with Joseph W. Stiles, of 21 Dutton street, last evening. C. M. Young and Mrs. C. H. Glidden won the prizes. The next meeting, Jan. 10th, will be at Mr. and Mrs. Sewall Potter's, 14 Wachusett street.

The Brussels Weavers.

The Brussels Weavers' union met in the Mathews hall last night for the semi-annual election which resulted as follows: Joseph Cox, president; James Flood, vice president; George Farrell, recording secretary; Patrick Kennedy, financial secretary; Arthur McFadden, treasurer; John Bevins, sergeant-at-arms. Board of trustees, Henry Blouen and Misses Watson and Powers. Executive committee, John B. McAloon, John Galvin, Joseph Coughlin, James Flood, John Purcell, Henry McCarthy, and Joseph Cox, ex-officio.

Among Society People.

Mrs. Julian Talbot of Nesmith street informally entertained in honor of Mrs. Richard H. Ewart of New York, yesterday afternoon.

The Young Married people gave one of their delightful social parties in Runels hall last evening, with Mrs. G. H. Pilsbury and Mrs. Willis Farrington as matrons.

One of the swell New Year receptions will be that of Tuesday evening at Mr. E. L. White's on Nesmith street. Then for the younger set at the Misses Cushing on Mt. Washington street. On Wednesday evening Mrs. Paul R. George reopens the magnificent residence on Chelmsford street in honor of her neice, Mrs. Ethel Livingston.

WHERE'S STUART MURPHY?

Clerk McLaughlin is Pretty Certain of Keeping His Place at the State House.

It now looks as if Clerk Ed. McLaughlin of the house of representatives will keep his seat the coming year and will not be ousted for a republican.

The only previous contest there has been for the clerkship since Mr. McLaughlin was elected in 1883 was made in 1885, when Henry Moulton of Lowell was a candidate. Frederick T. Greenhalge was that year a member of the House, and he voted for Mr. McLaughlin against his own townsman. In the 50 votes, though, his friends were confident of his success before the vote was taken.

Today Gov. Greenhalge is as much interested in the re-election of Mr. McLaughlin as Representative Greenhalge was in 1885.

SOCIETY ELECTIONS.

Court Columbus, A. O. F., made choice of these officers last night: A. Bourbonniere, C. R; James Madden, S. C. R; Dennis Healey, fin. sec; James A. McCusker, rec. sec; Bryan McFadden, treasurer; Michael McHugh, S. W; John J. Owens, J. W; William Healey, S. B; J. J. Sullivan, J. B; Patrick Craig, trustee for three years; Dr. James E. O'Connor, physician. With the exception of the junior woodward, who was sick, and Mr. Owens elected in his stead, all the court officers were reelected.

Garfield Colony of Pilgrim Fathers held its election last night, as follows: Governor, Alonzo D. Hartford; lieutenant governor, Mrs. Aurelia Hall; secretary, Frank G. Randlett; collector, Miss Bertha Mitchell; treasurer, Edwin A. Howe; chaplain, W. A. Severance; sergeant at arms, Timothy Mahoney; deputy sergeant-at-arms, Mrs. Isabelle Storey; sentinel of inner gate, Miss Emma Cottrell; sentinel of outer gate, Mrs. Catherine Mitchell; delegates to supreme colony, Edwin A. Howe, George L. Hall and Hiram E. Hartford; trustees, George L. Hall, Timothy Mahoney and Frank G. Randlett.

CLEAN UP PREMISES.

Sweeping Interpretation of an Order Issued by the State Fire Marshal.

Under the provisions of the statute creating the office of state fire marshal, it is made one of the duties of that officer to order the removal of combustible material or the correction of inflammable conditions which may exist upon any premises.

A part of the duty of the marshal's aids is to inspect premises where such conditions are supposed to exist and order the correction of defects when found.

Of late an inspector has been at work in Newburyport, where the rates for insurance have just been raised, and as a result of the inspection many official notices are being sent to the owners or occupants of buildings calling their attention to conditions which need correcting.

This is for the interest, not only on the occupant, but of those whose property might be endangered by a fire on the neglected premises, and of the insurance companies, and, through them, to the public at large. Hence, as an insurance man says, the public has a right to demand that the inflammable conditions be removed.

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E. A. Wilson, coal dealer, is selling coal at lowest cash prices: call at 51 Merrimack street.

Patten & Co. have the finest potted and cut flowers in the city, Shedd's block, Central street.

The police officers of Manchester will petition the incoming city council for an increase of wages of 25 cents per day.

The greatest remedy for a cough ever known is Dr. Phelan's Cough syrup. A bottle costs 25 cents and is on sale at 230 Gorham street.

A true, life-like photo is something everybody admires. Marion makes that kind. Visit his studio in Barristers' hall and have a sitting made.

R. H. Loupret, for 12 years assistant and of late manager of Loupret's studio, has resigned that position and is now with Freeman, the fotographer, P. O. building, where he will be pleased to meet his friends.

The High street Y. P. S. C. E. has elected these officers, besides regular committees: Arthur L. Clark, president; Helen R. Boardman, vice president; Grace Rodloff, secretary; Grace Keniston, treasurer; Annie A. Cahill, corresponding secretary.

Lowell Boys Lost.

The basket ball team of the Y. M. C. A. went to Lawrence last evening and was defeated by the Lawrence Y. M. C. A. team 6 to 5. A large number of Lowell rooters were present at the game.

Begin the new year by making a deposit at the Lowell Five Cent Savings bank. Deposits placed upon interest Jan. 5th.

Reform Club Public Meeting.

At the Reform Club hall to-morrow evening addresses will be made by Rev. George H. Johnson of John Street Congregational church and by Elder John McAskie of the Central M. E. church. Vocal solos will be rendered by Michael Gorman, the well known vocalist, and by R. J. Fullerton, leader of the L. R. C. Glee club.

JUST A LITTLE GOSSIP.

The profit sharing experiment which has attracted widespread interest in textile circles, at the Bourne mills, Fall River, is now entering upon the last half of the sixth year.

The ten semi-annual dividends paid up to the present time have averaged over three per cent. on the amount of wages paid, or six per cent. a year, a sum greater than the same amount of money upon deposit in savings banks would have yielded.

The employes share in direct proportion to the stockholders and, strictly speaking, the plan should be called dividend sharing, rather than profit sharing, though the dividends of course come out of the profits. The Employes Savings fund afford a handy way of laying up small sums of money from week to week. Interest at five per cent. is allowed upon such sums as remain twelve full calendar months. When the sum of $5 has been saved, it may be transferred to a savings bank, and the possession of a savings bank book entitles the owner to the cash payment of a dividend the same as a credit in the Employees Savings fund.

The following statement from the Electrical World will be of special interest to telephone users who were interested in the outcome of the Berliner patents decision:

"It will be seen that at present all forms of telephone receivers and transmitters are free, and that on Jan. 15, the valuable patent on the use of the induction coil with transmitters will expire. As a consequence private lines may be installed and operated under the most advantageous circumstances. The situation as to the large exchange stations, however, is still much involved, and, owing to the multiplicity of patents concerned and the scant knowledge on the subject of requirements of exchanges outside of the Bell companies, it will be some time before it can be cleared up.

"It now seems that there would be much difficulty in economically operating any exchange of considerable size without the aid of switchboard and other devices covered by Bell patents. When, however, the difficulties to be overcome are clearly defined and understood, the matter will come within the province of the inventor, and the conditions would have to be singular indeed if some method of meeting them could not be eventually devised."

The saying "the cat came back," will probably be well illustrated by a legal case to determine if the captain of a tug boat is entitled to salvage on an abandoned bark picked up at sea. Courts have held that a ship is not abandoned while there is a living animal aboard. The tug captain was unwise enough to rescue a live cat from the ship, and the feline may be damaging proof against his claims. He may have to sue for his money.

SCHOOL FOR AMBITIOUS BOYS

FIRST STEP TOWARDS A TEXTILE ART SCHOOL IN LOWELL.

Committee Appointed to Go to the School Board and Present the Good Features of Such a Movement.

While the conference between Lowell mill men and the directors of the board of trade, last night, in relation to the establishment of a textile art school, was private, enough information was given out to ensure those interested that such a school may be started in the near future.

Among those at the conference were A. G. Cummock, agent of the Boott, Supt. John J. Hart of the Merrimack print works, Thomas Walsh superintendent of the Hamilton print works, E. S. Hylan of the New England Bunting company, Supt. of schools A. K. Whitcomb, Postmaster G. W. Pearson, J. F. Murphy, J. W. C. Pickering, Cassius W. Pierce and James O'Sullivan.

The subject was discussed at great length and in detail, but while its need was emphasized unanimously there was a difference of opinion as to how it should be started, founded and maintained. The subject will discussed at another conference when the mill men will read papers on their views of the school. In the meantime a committee consisting of A. G. Cummock, J. J. Hart, Thomas Walsh, A. K. Whitcomb and James T. Smith will endeavor to have a conference with the incoming school board to interest it in the subject.

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Importer and tailor, 65 Central street, is a first class practical cutter of long experience in fine New York houses. Is up with the times and guarantees satisfaction. Semi-annual clearance sale now on.

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LABOR FIGURES

Decreased Purchases in Business Centres.

THE DEMAND FOR COTTON IS GREATLY REDUCED.

Other Matters Affecting the Market in General.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: Commercial failures in 1894 already reported to R. G. Dun & Co. number 14,292, against 15,242 last year, with liabilities of $203,238,404, against $346,779,889 last year.

Next week the final report of 1894 will probably include about 400 more failures, with liabilities of about $4,000,000. From these accounts, banks, bankers, financial and transportation companies are excluded.

Wages actually paid in November are compared today with working hours in establishments throughout the country, and in about 50 branches of industry the average being 236.4 hours per hand this year, 218.4 last year and 243.2 in 1892.

The wages paid per hour were 1.2 per cent less than last year, and 8.59 per cent less than in 1892. The hands employed in establishments reporting were 8.53 per cent more than last year, but 12.02 per cent less than in 1892. The total wages paid in these establishments in November were 16.93 per cent more than in November, 1893, but 21.77 per cent less than in November, 1892.

Thus the decrease in purchasing power of the working force is found to be due mainly to decrease in number of hands and hours of work, rather than to reduction of wages paid per hour.

Holiday trade has scarcely met expectations. Purchases have been numerous, but smaller than usual in amount and more confined to needful articles.

Wheat and Corn.

Wheat has declined ½ cent, though western receipts have been only 1,712,908 bushels, against 3,109,832 for the same week last year, but since Aug. 1 receipts have been a little larger than last year, and the visible supply is the largest ever known. Exports in December from both coasts have been a little larger than last year, but for the crop year about 20,000,000 bushels smaller.

The western estimate, usually regarded with most confidence, is that the crop will reach 515,000,000 bushels, which will leave for export, with stocks brought over, more than 200,000,000 bushels, of which only 75,000,000 bushels have gone abroad. Corn has declined ¾ cent, with good receipts.

Cotton and Wool.

The price of cotton has not changed, but the fact that receipts from plantations this month have been greater than in 1891, while stocks in sight here and abroad are larger than at the same date that year, is an obstacle to any rise. Revision of prices for cotton goods has been the controlling feature since the great auction, and wide sheetings have been marked down about 10 per cent, while changes all along the line are expected. It is no longer disputed that the consuming demand has fallen below expectations and below the production which was kept up in the hope of increased consumption.

Very little has been done in woolen goods, all waiting for developments after Jan. 1, when new duties take effect. Low grade overcoats already opened show little change, and in dress goods one or two cases of slight advance are noted. Sales of wool this month have been 17,596,300 pounds, against 13,049,197 last year, and 21,302,300 in 1892, and Ohio XX has sold at 17 cents.

The market for iron and steel is waiting, but the reduction in wages at the Edgar Thompson works, averaging 16 per cent, plainly indicates the same difficulty which is seen in other quarters, that the demand in consumption does not answer increase in production of pig iron.

Failures for the week have been 350 in the United States, against 311 last year, and 41 in Canada, against 41 last year.

Over the Border.

Bradstreet's today says: Toronto jobbers say trade is very quiet and travelers from that city are not hurrying their departure, although at Montreal preparations are making in several lines to send out travelers.

At Quebec city shoe manufacturers report trade brisk. At Halifax the volume of business is moderate, and wholesale trade is dull. Collections throughout Nova Scotia are slow.

In Newfoundland the business situation remains unchanged, or as previously described, somewhat chaotic. Bank clearings at Winnipeg, Hamilton, Toronto, Montreal and Halifax aggregate $15,412,000 this week, against $21,171,000 last week, and $16,351,000 in the week last year. Canadian business failures during 1894, as reported to Bradstreet's, aggregate 1551, against 1765 last year; total liabilities amounting to $17,724,000 this year, and $14,762,000 last year, with customary ratios of assets.

There is a moderate increase in the number of failures in the province of Ontario, but a falling off in total liabilities; a greater relative increase in the number of failures in the province of Quebec, with a sharp gain in volume of liabilities. New Brunswick reports a moderate increase in the number of failures, with nearly double the amount of liabilities in 1893, and Nova Scotia a moderate decrease and a heavy decline in volume of liabilities, the like being true with reference to Prince Edward Island.

In Manitoba there is one less failure than the year before, though with a slightly increased volume of liabilities. Failures in the northwest territory dropped more than one-half this year, and liabilities still further. There is also a smaller number of failures reported from British Columbia, but liabilities have increased.

There are 22 failures reported from Newfoundland, against 15 the year before with liabilities of $6,250,000 this year, against $427,000 last year. The situation in Newfoundland appears to be one of suspended animation rather than general commercial or financial failure, which will account for the comparatively few commercial deaths reported in spite of the business crisis.

Quiet at Hawaii.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Mr. Hasting received advices from Honolulu yesterday confirmatory of the latest press advices from that country, to the effect that the political situation is quieter and that the recent so-called monarchial conspiracy was a matter of small importance.

Hub's Investigation Closed.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—The investigation of public institutions, conducted by the committee of the full board of aldermen, during the past nine months, closed yesterday. Fifty-eight sessions have been held since the hearing began, March 15. Three hours time was allowed for each side in the arguments.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

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MADELINE POLLARD PENITENT

SHE IS TO LIVE AWAY THE STAIN.

That Has Besmirched Her Name and Character—She Issues a Statement Indicating Her Sorrow at Her Failure in Life.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Statements have been made that Miss Madeline Pollard designed going upon the stage as an actress, and that in person or by an attorney she purposed following Congressman Breckinridge about the country to levy upon the proceeds of his lecture tour just begun. Prompted by these statements, Miss Pollard has requested the press to give publicity to the following:

"I have not wanted to make a statement of any kind. I could not see that what I did was of interest to people generally. So I have tried to bear all that has been said of me as part of punishment for my failure as a woman. I am not going before the world in any capacity. I have no message to carry; I have asked a question with my life; it cannot be answered in a day.

"I have no theatrical friends. I have never been situated so I could have. Their world is far removed from mine. I live in a private house with my brother and southern friends.

"I do not believe there is a man or woman on earth who thinks there is money compensation for sorrow. I am sorry, for any reason whatsoever, I am accused of realizing so little the enormous sorrow that overshadows my life.

"I am not under an assumed name. I have not been to any place where I was not well known. I do not mean to be while I live. I have stained my dear father's spotless name, and with the Christ power, I shall fight from under the stain."

In Prohibition Portland.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 29.—B. I. Thompson, proprietor of the Dominion House, who was in the municipal court on a search and seizure process, was discharged. A case of lager beer was found at the hotel, but Proprietor Thompson testified that it belonged to some of his boarders. Three boarders who were summoned as witnesses claimed that they had made a practice of pooling in and buying cases of beer, a record being kept of the consumption of each case and each man paying toward the next case a share proportionate to what he drank. Judge Gould threatened to have actions for liquor selling brought against all three of the boarders.

No Place For Americans.

HARTFORD, Dec. 29.—An Armenian of this city has received a letter from a Turkish officer, who says: "Many of the officers in the army near Sassoun saw no reason for destroying so many people. The sultan not only tortures Christian people, but his soldiers and officers as well. I advise you to stay away, because the sultan is determined to rob and imprison every American citizen."

Stalled on a Crossing.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 29.—A Boston express was brought to a stop within 12 feet of a stalled trolley car at the East Main street crossing yesterday afternoon. In some way the current had been shut off when the trolley car was nearing the steam railroad tracks, and its momentum was just sufficient to bring it directly on the tracks.

Bullet Through His Head.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Henry G. Lewis of St. Louis, aged 20, a student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head. The cause of the act is unknown. He was well up in his studies, and was considered a man of exemplary habits. His father is a dry goods merchant of St. Louis.

Rhody's New Armory.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 29.—Contractor McCormick yesterday turned over the state armory to the state, the keys being received by Governor Brown in person. The building cost $24,000. It was erected for the naval reserves of Newport and company B, Second regiment, stationed here. There were no exercises.

Considering Immigration.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Commissioners of immigration of some of the leading ports of the United States met yesterday at Ellis island for a general discussion of matters pertaining to their departments. An effort will also be made to have a uniformity of rules to govern all immigration departments in this country.

Beyond Our Jurisdiction.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—United States Minister Denby has made no demand on the Chinese government for satisfaction for the killing of the two Japanese student spies, as reported, nor is the government in a position to make any such demand, which is usually construed to mean an indemnity.

Got the Right Man.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The agent general in London of Cape Colony states that there is no doubt as to the identity of Wilhelm A. Lippert, who was recently arrested in Cincinnati and brought to New York, preliminary to his extradition to England on the charge of obtaining $843,075 by forgery.

Youthful Burglars Captured.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Jonas Harvey, aged 19, of Massabesic, N. H., and Frederick Barton, aged 20, of this city, were arrested yesterday as fugitives from justice. They are wanted for various burglaries committed at Candia and Raymond, N. H.

No Change In Price of Coal.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Anthracite coal sales agents yesterday decided to limit their production in January to 45 per cent of their capacity, which will be a production of 2,300,000 tons. No change has been made in prices.

But Slightly Damaged.

HALIFAX, Dec. 29.—During the gale which raged along the coast Thursday the Gloucester (Mass.) schooner James H. Steele went ashore near Liverpool. She was afterward got off slightly damaged.

Woolen Mill Burned.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 29.—Fire at Long Hill destroyed the Ratcliffe woolen mills. New machinery worth $40,000 was recently put in. The fire started from overheated machinery.

Battling For Life.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A bulletin states that Lord Randolph Churchill passed a quiet day yesterday. He continues to take a little nourishment and his strength is fairly maintained.

RADIGIAN'S "WRONGS"

May Have Been Brought About by His Own Unwarranted Doings.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The state department is under no apprehension as to results of threatened congressional inquiry into the case of Radigian, who has complained through the press of his treatment at the hands of United States Minister Terrell at Constantinople.

It is pointed out that the man's own statement put him in a most equivocal position. He says that he took out a Russian passport at Batoum in order to travel in Turkey. To do so, he must have taken oath that he was a Russian citizen, yet it was a necessary preliminary to his taking out a United States passport to swear that he was an American citizen. Under these circumstances it is held that Minister Terrell's hesitancy to issue a passport was thoroughly justified.

Aside from this consideration, however, the Turkish government has refused persistently to admit the right of Turkish subjects to expatriate themselves to return to Turkey, and as our own supreme court in the case of the Chinese exclusion law has affirmed the absolute right of a nation to exclude any class of persons from its territory, the United States would seem to have little ground upon which to protest.

No Trouble With Austria.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Mr. von Hengelmuller, the new Austrian minister, was seen concerning reports that Austria would follow the course of Germany, first in protesting against the American tariff on sugars, and then in retaliating against the products of this country. Mr. Hengelmuller said Austria had not taken any steps on the American tariff. The relations with the United States had always been most cordial, and they would remain so by a satisfactory arrangement of the sugar duties.

Mrs. Young's Case.

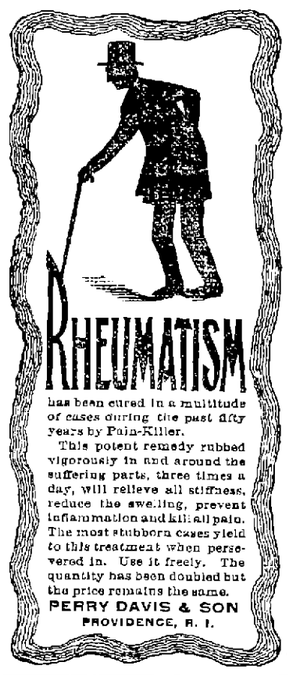
SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Dec. 29.—C. H. Young of Brooklyn came to this city yesterday and took back his wife, who surrendered herself Thursday to the police here. Young corroborated the story of his wife that she had been intimate with a dry goods merchant of Brooklyn, and had extorted a large sum of money from him. This money, the woman claims, she threw overboard from a Sound steamboat, but the police think that she has it still in her possession.

Two Women Suffocated.

NORWICH, Conn., Dec. 29.—In the town of Sprague, Miss Mary Brennan, aged 70, while smoking in bed, set the clothes on fire. She called Mrs. Michael Brennan, who was 60 years of age, and partially blind, to help put out the fire. On entering the room, Mrs. Brennan closed the door, then filled with dense smoke, and although the women succeeded in extinguishing the fire, they were both suffocated.

Rhode Island's Gambling Evil.

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 29.—A war of public opinion against the present pool law has swept over the state, and there is little doubt but that it will be repealed as soon as the legislature meets. Senator Merrill of Cranston stated yesterday that he would introduce the repeal bill and would request that it be passed without reference to committee.



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